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## MR. EDEN ON BRITISH AIMS FOR POST-WAR RECONSTRUCTION: WILL NOT SHIRK OUR RESPONSIBILITY

### Economic Reorganisation Of Europe Will Not Be Easy

"THE ECONOMIC REORGANISATION OF EUROPE WILL NOT BE EASY BUT WE WILL NOT SHIRK OUR OPPORTUNITY OR OUR RESPONSIBILITY," SAID MR. ANTHONY EDEN, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, IN A SPEECH AT THE MANSION HOUSE IN LONDON YESTERDAY IN WHICH HE OUTLINED BRITISH PLANS FOR POST-WAR RECONSTRUCTION.

"The British aim will be to free the post-war world from want. It will be our wish to work with others to prevent the starvation period which followed the last war and the fluctuation of foreign exchange and market prices.

"We shall seek to achieve this in ways which will interfere as little as possible with the proper liberty and economic system of each country. In a system of free economic co-operation Germany must play a part.

### British Forces Pounding Ramadi Relentlessly

BRITISH FORCES IN IRAQ ARE RELENTLESSLY POUNDING RAMADI, 12 MILES NORTH-WEST OF HABBANIYAH.

Referring to the encouraging reports from Iraq, MR. EDEN, FOREIGN MINISTER, in the House of Commons yesterday, said that it was hoped that Iraq would soon be rid of Rashid Ali, after which the re-establishment of the country under the Regent, could be carried out.

"We have no designs of any kind against the independence of Iraq," said Mr. Eden, "and since his return to Iraq a few days ago the Regent has received innumerable messages of loyalty and support from all over the country. Many of Rashid Ali's followers are reported to have already fled."

Mr. Eden referred to the growing unity in the Arab world with whom Britain had long traditions of friendship. The Arabs had made great strides in progress in every direction and no appeal from them should go unanswered.

**TIES STRENGTHENED**  
The Foreign Secretary concluded, "It seems to me both natural and right that the cultural and economic ties of the Arab countries—yes, and political ties—should be strengthened. The British Government will support any scheme that commands general approval."

It is reported that the Regent of Iraq has reached Fallujah and is forming a new Government in Iraq. He will proceed to Baghdad as soon as the British troops, who are advancing towards the town, have taken it, says Reuter.

**ALI'S LUGGAGE**  
The arrival in Ankara of 20 large pieces of luggage belonging to the Iraqi rebel leader, Rashid Ali, has revived rumours that he is coming to Turkey.

WASHINGTON, May 29 (Reuter)—The House Appropriations Subcommittee approve President Roosevelt's request for \$2,790,000, 000 for 13,000 planes for the Army.

### Today's News Summary

SPEAKING AT THE Mansion House yesterday, the British Foreign Secretary described British aims in the post-war reconstruction. He said that economic reorganisation in Europe would not be easy but British would not shirk her opportunity or responsibility. Mr. Eden also welcomed President Roosevelt's speech.

**LATEST REPORTS FROM IRAQ** state that the British are relentlessly pounding Ramadi, north-west of Habbaniyah. In the House of Commons yesterday Mr. Eden made a statement on the encouraging reports from this theatre of war.

**ADMINISTRATION CIRCLES** in Washington believe that Japan's adherence to the Axis may be soon weakening. More comments acclaiming Mr. Roosevelt's speech are contained in the world Press and it is pointed out that extra editions were printed in Chungking—a rare occurrence.

**AN ADMIRALTY COMMUNIQUE** states that H.M.S. York, 8,000-ton cruiser, has to be abandoned as lost in Suda Bay, in Crete. Fierce fighting on the Island is continuing and more German airborne troops are being landed.

**ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY** over Britain on Wednesday night was on a heavier scale than on previous nights.

### Daylight Sweep

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—British fighters yesterday evening carried out a daylight sweep on the French coast and the Straits. They encountered enemy fighters and destroyed one without a British loss.

Enemy air activity over Britain last night was on a heavier scale than on previous nights, says the Air Ministry communique.

Bombs were dropped at a number of widespread places, mostly round the coast, in the North-West and South-East. Some damage was done and there were some casualties.

At one place in the South-East a number of persons were rendered homeless. At least one enemy aircraft is known to have been destroyed.

### BY-ELECTION AT HORNSEY

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—Conservatives retained the seat at Hornsey as a result of a by-election announced this morning as follows: Captain Gammans (Conservative), 11,077, Noel Pemberton Billing (Independent), 4,148.

"BUT HERE I DRAW A FIRM DISTINCTION. WE MUST NEVER FORGET THAT GERMANY HAS BEEN THE WORST MASTER EUROPE HAS EVER KNOWN. FIVE TIMES SHE HAS VIOLATED PEACE AND SHE MUST NEVER BE IN A POSITION TO PLAY THAT ROLE AGAIN."

Mr. Eden added that the British terms would be designed to prevent a repetition of these German misdeeds.

The Foreign Secretary began by welcoming President Roosevelt's broadcast which he described as momentous. He said that the President had pointed the way to secure the foundations of the world and had accomplished a great act of faith.

**BRUTALLY THOROUGH**  
Returning to Britain's post-war reconstruction plans, Mr. Eden said:

"There has never been anything so brutally thorough as Hitlerism. No country will be safe until this system is smashed. The Nazi is building up against himself a flood of hate unparalleled in force and volume and when the dam bursts it will sweep Hitler and his gang away, Gestapo Quislings and satellites and much else besides."

"Every German in his heart must know and fear this. We cannot now foresee when this will come but this German machine may break suddenly and without warning."

"Only the countries of the British Empire and her allies, with the United States and South America, are in a position to carry out a policy of reconstruction. When this comes we will have to make financial adjustments on the widest possible basis and we shall also develop international exchange and trade."

"The liberated countries and others will require an initial pooling of resources to carry them through this transitional period. Developments elsewhere and in the Far East, for example, will be affected by the plan for the reconstruction of Europe."

"We have learned our lesson of the interval between the two wars and we know that there is no escape from the curse which has fallen on the world except by the creation and preservation of the economic wealth of every country and that security which alone can make for the betterment of man's lot upon the earth."

NEW YORK, May 29 (Reuter)—The Federation of Labour, has directed all affiliates to refrain from striking in defence industries until all possibilities of mediation are exhausted.

## JAPANESE ADHERENCE TO AXIS BELIEVED SHORTLY WEAKENING: BUSINESS INTERESTS REPORTED GAINING INFLUENCE IN TOKYO

WASHINGTON, May 29 (Reuter)—Responsible legislators, who talked with President Roosevelt a few hours previous to his radio speech, revealed that there is growing belief in Administration circles that JAPANESE ADHERENCE TO THE AXIS MAY SOON WEAKEN.

They cited as evidence the President's omission of Pacific problems in his radio talk.

The belief was said to be based on information that business interests were gaining influence in Tokyo and might eventually prevail over the military.

### Masterly Restatement Of Democratic Case

"THE SPEECH WAS A MASTERLY RESTATEMENT OF THE CASE FOR DEMOCRACY AND INCLUDED THE PLAINEST SPEAKING WHICH THE NAZIS HAVE EVER HEARD. We can all rightly feel very grateful to President Roosevelt for his speech which has uplifted us and frightened the very life out of the enemy," said MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY in a news commentary broadcast from London last night.

Major Murray said that Mr. Roosevelt's apt mention of China would not be lost to the ears of the reluctant partner of the Axis Pact—Japan.

Major Murray said that he had been studying the verbatim report of the speech in the Press. Its forcefulness grew in strength when one realised that it followed the statement by Admiral Raeder on convoys and M. Javal's warning to the United States.

**NOT FRIGHTENED**  
It was easy to see that the people of America were not intimidated or frightened by what had gone before.

Mr. Roosevelt had said that aid to Britain must be carried out but the exact form of United States action must at this stage remain a secret.

"We have in the past," said Maj. Murray, "been inclined to say too much about what we are going to do instead of keeping the enemy guessing. Mr. Roosevelt and his naval and military technicians will work out the necessary measures and put them into effect. That is good enough for us."

SENATOR GEORGE, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said that he considered it significant that Mr. Roosevelt DID NOT DISCUSS THE PACIFIC and intimated that he thought SOME CHANGE IN THE FAR EASTERN SITUATION MIGHT BE IN THE OFFING.

MR. HENRY WALLACE, Vice-President, is reported to be disappointed that Mr. Roosevelt was not more specific as to how the deliveries and supplies to England could be assured.

**ENMITY REVEALED**  
TOKYO, May 29 (Reuter)—The HOCHI SHIMBUN, reputedly an Axis organ, said: "Now the United States has dared to reveal clearly her enmity against Japan and the United States must record the fact that Japan now finds herself in a position in which she is compelled to take effective measures to cope the hostile threats."

The Army organ, KOKUMIN SHIMBUN, asserted that Japan cannot look on with folded arms when the United States revealed her identity as an enemy of the projected prosperity in the sphere of the Far East.

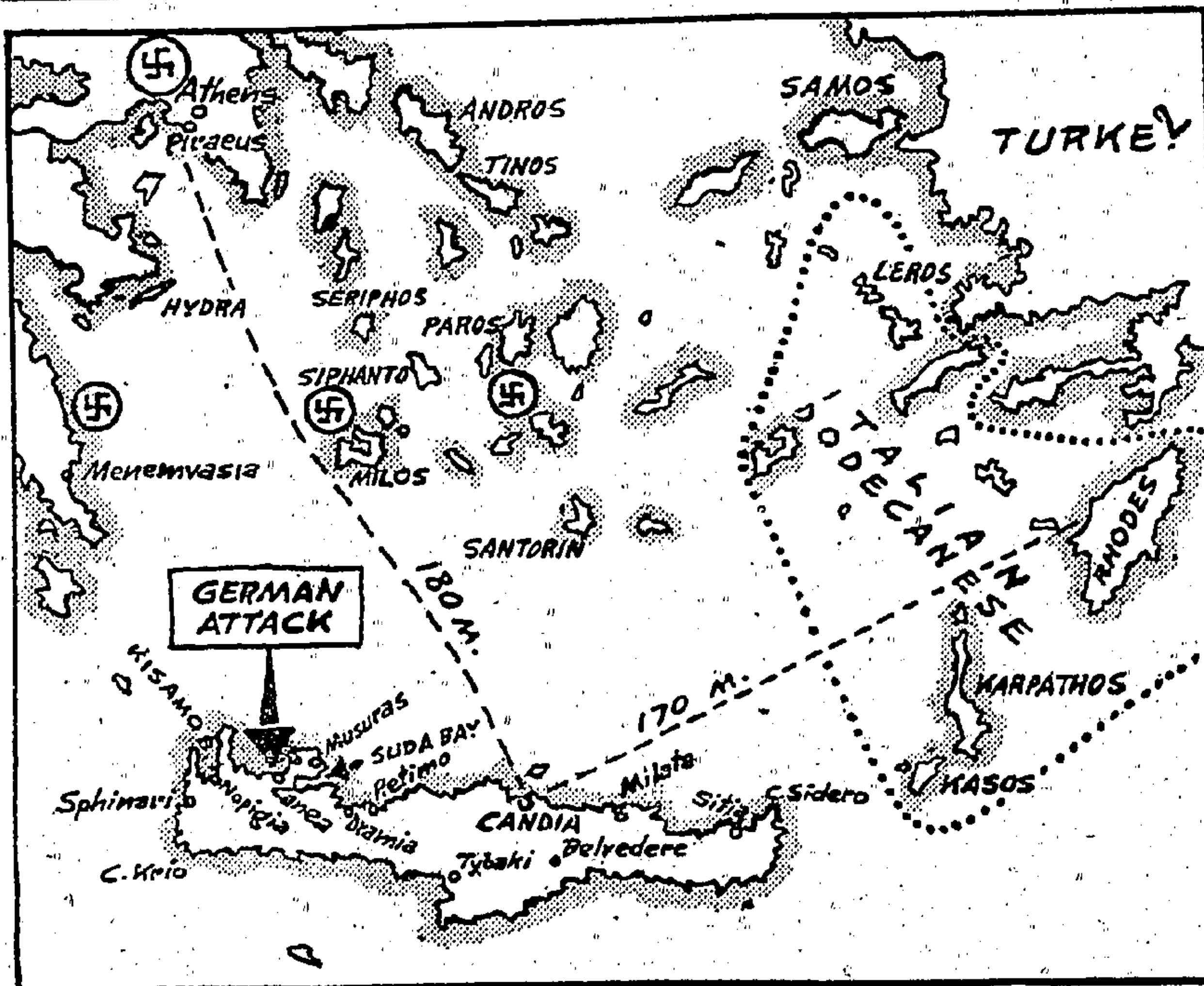
**SUPPLIES IMPERATIVE**  
LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—The high point of President Roosevelt's broadcast was the unequivocal declaration that the delivery of needed supplies to Britain is imperative, this can, must and will be done, says THE TIMES.

Thus the President commits himself and the country to the responsibility of protecting supplies furnished by the United States to those using them in the front of battle for human freedom.

The DAILY TELEGRAPH says that short of any actual declaration of war against the Axis, President Roosevelt went to the farthest limit of pledging increasing and utmost assistance to Britain. The fact that he specifically mentioned China may well lead Japan to further symptoms of caution.

CAIRO, May 30 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt's forthright speech is heartily welcomed by New Zealanders, Mr. Peter Fraser, Prime.

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## GERMAN PARACHUTISTS IN MALEMI AREA HAD FACES PAINTED GREEN

LONDON, MAY 29 (REUTER)—NO OFFICIAL NEWS TODAY HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM CRETE, BUT FIERCE FIGHTING IS CONTINUING.

A dramatic story has been told by a British officer who was in Crete when the battle began. He stated that the German parachutists who landed in the MALEMI area were painted green, even their faces. They were mostly young men.

The attack on Crete has been carried out with unparalleled ferocity. The principal towns of Cania, Heraklion and Retimo were literally ploughed away by the bombing, which was carried out with mathematical precision.

Women and children were ruthlessly machine-gunned while hospitals were not excluded in the general catastrophe.

### SEQUESTRATION OF NAZI FORTUNES

BASEL, May 29 (Reuter)—The Chief of the Civil Administration of Alsace states that French sequestration of German fortunes in Alsace has been annulled, according to a report received here.

Persons possessing and managing sequestered property are ordered to furnish particulars immediately.

Regulations governing the restoration of fortunes are to be issued.

of Maj. Allen Murray when he broadcast from London last night. One report, he said, had it that 1,200 Junkers were used to land troops on the Island. More reinforcements were needed for the British troops.

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## DOUBLE DAY MEETING AT WHITSUN

## Lantao \$1 Sweep On Monday: Close Of First Half Year Racing

BY "LAST QUARTER"

Racing enthusiasts will have their last opportunity of indulging in their favourite pastime for the first half of this year when the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB hold their SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING, more popularly known as the Whitsun Meeting, over the weekend. There will be ten events on the programme tomorrow, while on Monday there will be a full day of racing with twelve events down for decision.

SATURDAY—First Saddling Bell	1.30 p.m.
First Race	2.00 p.m.
MONDAY—First Saddling Bell	11.00 a.m.
First Race	11.30 a.m.
Tiffin	1.00 p.m.
Racing Resumes	2.30 p.m.

The special sweep being drawn for in connection with the Lantao Handicap, which is the last race on Monday, has not been as well supported as the recent Derby Sweep, but at the time of writing sales are in the neighbourhood of 200,000. With anticipation of further sales during the two days of racing, it should be sufficiently augmented to raise the value of the first prize to around \$100,000.

## JOCKEYS ABSENT

Mr. Victor Needa, has left for Shanghai on a combined business and pleasure trip, with the result that the well known "red and white stripes" will be worn by various other riders during the meeting. Unfortunately, Mr. Trevorton, is in hospital following his recent accident, and while everyone will be relieved to learn he is rapidly improving, it will be some weeks before this popular rider will be able to don silk again. I feel certain

## ADVERTISEMENTS

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 31st May, and MONDAY, 2nd June, 1941, commencing at 2.00 p.m. on Saturday and at 11.30 a.m. on Monday.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. on the first day and at 11.00 a.m. on the second day.

The tiffin interval will be after the fourth race on the second day.

## MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 per day for Gentlemen and \$3.00 per day for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m. on Saturday, and at 9.45 a.m. on Monday.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Telephone 21920).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

## PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 per day including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 26th May, 1941.

that owners, punters and his fellow jockeys will all wish him a speedy recovery.

There may also be a possibility that Mr. Paul Botelho will be an absentee as well.

## SHATIN HANDICAP

(FIRST SECTION)

Despite having to carry 154 lbs., top weight in the opening event, Eve of Hunting is capable of withstanding the challenge of the others and should score a win in this sprint from the 14 Mile Post. I have been told that Mr. H. C. Pih will be the jockey. The distance also suits Lovely Star and this bay will undoubtedly be the danger to the Eve representative. Mr. Donald Black will probably be riding Just In Time and the combination is good enough to place in this field.

For an "outsider, Oscar Zyich, is my choice, as this pony is in fairly good condition and should do better than when last raced. Mr. S. L. Yuen, part owner, will be in the saddle. The other entries are Bool at Bay, Celtic Star, Jane Doe and Rose Queen, all of which, in my opinion, are running out of their distance.

## WARWICK FARM STAKES

(First Section)

Though there are only ten ponies drawn for in this section, the race should be much more interesting than many would expect. At the last meeting, Twinkling Star (Craven) practically stopped, due to some reason or other, while going up the Roma and lost valuable lengths, but came on again strongly in the straight to finish a good second behind Bendigo. I think this chestnut will make amends tomorrow, but will not have everything her own way as The Koala Bear (Pih) impressed me a great deal on Wednesday morning and will be a source of worry to anything in the race.

Sydney Lady (Hearne) should also be prominent and at least secure a place. Daylight would find a sprint race more suitable than from the two mile post, but even then, this Cite candidate is not altogether out of the running. The most improved pony amongst the entrants is Red Rabbit and I may be spoiling someone's "hot" thing for the meeting, but in view of her present form, this mare is quite liable to cause an upset. It may turn out to be just a mere gamble, but a \$5 investment each way should prove profitable, because should she only place, the dividend will more than offset the entire outlay, and there is still the possibility of a huge return in the event of a win.

## BEAUFORT STAKES

In this six furlong race for non-winning China griffins, many will undoubtedly favour the chances of Lovelyleight. However, this bay did not appear to me to be in the form I would like to see her, and though she may have improved since then, I am not too sanguine about her chances and even think she may be a non-starter. I hope to be able to get a real line up on this bay on Friday morning before I make my final selections.

Lovely View and Night Express should fight out the issue here, though on Wednesday the former finished pulling up and as yet I have not been able to ascertain whether there was something wrong, or the pony just displaying a little temperament. Iron Beauty is fairly fast off the mark and should be watched, with Odeon as the next best, followed by Rosy Munt.

## WHITSUN HANDICAP

Moonlight has been putting up some exceptionally fine gallops and though in at 156 lbs., should still be the public's choice, despite the race being over a mile. The opposition will come from A Surprising Time and it will not surprise me to see this mare even winning.

## SPORTING FIXTURES

SATURDAY, MAY 31

LAWN BOWLS.—First Division. Kowloon B.G.C. "A" v. Recreation "A". Craigengower v. Recreation "B". Police R.C. v. Kowloon C.C. Civil Service v. Kowloon B.G.C. "B". Indian R.C. v. Kowloon Docks R.C. Second Division: Recreation v. Tai Koo R.C. Hongkong C.C. v. Hongkong F.C. Kowloon Tong v. Prison O.C. Kowloon C.C. v. Kowloon F.C. Third Division: Craigengower v. Hongkong Electric, Recreation v. Kowloon B.G.C. Kowloon F.C. v. Indian R.C. Hongkong F.C. v. Hongkong C.C.

RACING.—Hongkong Jockey Club's Sixth Extra Race Meeting, at Happy Valley, 2 p.m. (First day)

as she is in top condition right now, Mainsall and Manhattan are both worth considering as possibilities. The field will be an evenly balanced one as every starter will have something to their credit and may still improve on previous runs. In addition to those I have mentioned do not forget Jus Gentium. This pony was a disappointment the last time out, but did not have all the luck of the race. One must remember she was placed in exceptionally strong company at the Annual Meeting and in fairly fast time. Of the remainder, I like Happy Returns and Hole In One best.

## SHARKS BAY HANDICAP

This mile race for "A" Class Australians is the first leg of the Daily Double. The distance is too short for Baffin Bay (Chao), who will have to be ridden hard to keep up with the field. I think, therefore, the finish will be fought out between Viceroy (Black), Distant View (Pih) and Endeavour (Well). The contestants would do well not to allow Australian Diamond (Chang) too much of a lead. The rider knows this chestnut well and the combination have been very successful of late. Many Thanks was galloping like a champion on Wednesday morning, but I think this bay is not quite up to the standard of the others.

## LAMA HANDICAP

(FIRST SECTION)

The "B" Class China ponies will be striving for honours in this mile race. I like the chances of Gay Star, with Avon and Johnner as the next two possibilities. Sam's Choice can also keep up with this class, but So Nice does not appear to be as fit when last successful. Wonderful Scheme goes well enough in training for the first three-quarters or thereabouts, but lacks that all important final dash.

## HERVEY BAY HANDICAP

For the second leg of the Daily Double, my fancy is Man-O-War (Chao). This mare has been doing good track work of late and seems to be enjoying it, which is a very encouraging sign. First Love (S.C. Liang) should be close up at the finish. Gloaming and Marsh Warbler are two others that will need watching, while I am inclined to give The Nineteenth Hole another chance to prove that she can take in a little bit of distance. If you are on the look-out for some cash to tide you over the summer recess, I suggest a ticket on Vanguard. This pony has overcome her "greenness" to a large extent and is improving with each run.

## SHATIN HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

There are several well known sprinters in this five furlong race but I feel Portrush should be able to hold them all off. Strathbarrack and Sunlight View should fill the two minor positions. Forty Six is in fairly good form and may bring about an upset. If the going is on the heavy side, Valorous, that old and well tried favourite, must be conceded an even chance, especially so in view of the low weight, 135 lbs.

## WARWICK FARM STAKES (SECOND SECTION)

Vitamin M appeared to be alright in her last training gallop but may still be a trifle on the heavy side. However, the tryout may open her out and if she is started tomorrow, I expect to see her first past the post. In the probable absence of this mare, I like Googly and Ragle, with my preference for the latter as the race is from the two mile post, once round and in. Seventy Six should be able to pick up the small end of the purse in this class, while Princess Adelaide should be the inevitable outsider.

## LAMA HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

I am strong for Galaxy in this

## Inter-Club Swimming Meet At "Y" Pool: V.R.C. Expected To Win Ladies' Open Relay

BY "JIN"

Owing to shortage of swimmers, many of their members having joined other clubs, the Chinese "Y" would not be able to participate in the proposed Triangular meet at the European Y.M.C.A. pool on Saturday, May 31. However, the aquatic gala will not be postponed for the Lai Tsun Swimming Union has sportingly agreed to meet the European "Y" instead. There will be two open invitation events, the women's 200-yards Relay and an Invitation water polo tournament match.

Should the V.R.C. enter a team in the women's relay, there will be no doubt of its winning, for the team comprises Misses Vivienne Churn, Jackie Anderson, Ding Lopes and Celeste Gutierrez. This quartet of mermaids will even give a men's team a race for their money and that is saying something.

Nevertheless, the Lai Tsun team is reputed to be in tip-top form and should be able to give the V.R.C. girls a good fight. South China A.A. and the C.B.C. are also entering teams for this event.

In the inter-club events, the European "Y" have chosen a very strong representative team and are confident of turning the tables on the strong Lai Tsun Union squad. Two champions will be seen in action, D. Hutchinson in the 100-yards free style, of which he is the holder, and Chan Chun-nam in the 220-yards free style. Both these stars should win their respective events.

## ACE SPRINTER

In Tsang Chun-ming, Lai Tsun has an ace sprinter and he is favoured to win the 50-yards free style.

Although the Y.M.C.A. lost to Lai Tsun in the 200-yards relay in their last encounter, the former will be represented by an entirely new team and may upset the too confident Chinese four.

Swimming fans will be treated to some good races at this gala, which is scheduled to take place at 8.30 p.m. and with the proceeds going to such a good cause as the Bomber Fund, a capacity crowd is expected.

## THE PROGRAMME

The following are the events and representatives for the gala:

50 yards free style:—E. F. Paul and G. Arnold (European "Y"); Tsang Chun-ming and Kum Hop-ming (Lai Tsun).

220 yards free style:—A. F. May and L. A. Benn (European "Y"); Chan Chun-nam and Lau Tai-ping (Lai Tsun).

100 yards back-stroke:—Lau Yung-tung and Pun Wing-kai (Lai Tsun).

Men's 100 yards free style:—D. Hutchinson and J. Davidson (European "Y"); Chan Chun-nam and Lau Tai-ping (Lai Tsun).

Men's 150 yards medley relay:—Y.M.C.A.: E. A. Roberts (Back-stroke), S. Gegg (breast-stroke) and N. D. Booker (free style); Lai Tsun: Pun Wing-kai (back-stroke), Fong Chung-yu (breast-stroke) and Tsang Chun-ming (free style).

Men's 200 yards free style relay:—E. F. Paul, R. Goldman, A. F. May and D. Hutchinson (European "Y"); Tsang Chun-ming, Lau Tai-ping, Chan Chun-nam and Kum Hop-ming (Lai Tsun).

The North Point Chinese clubs have already started their season and on Saturday, May 31, at 7 p.m., the Chinese Bathing Club is holding their first inter-members gala. South China A.A. is close on their rival's heels and will be having their first night fete on Friday, June 6.

## Lawn Bowls Selections

The following are some Club links for tomorrow's Lawn Bowls League programme:—

## SECOND DIVISION

K.F.C.:—J. Gibson, A. Lapsley, V. Chittenden, W. C. Field (skip); W. Naef, A. Eastman, E. Kern, P. Younghusband (skip); A. Dand, C. Downman, W. C. Simpson, T. Ferguson (skip).

## THIRD DIVISION

K.F.C.:—B. Thomson, S. C. Wong, C. H. Fuller, B. D. Evans (skip); G. Cross, C. Woodcock, A. Mackenzie, R. Ogden (skip); B. Williams, G. Frost, Y. Abbas, J. T. Smalley (skip).

Reserves:—W. C. Ogley, L. Bones, L. A. Mullett.

## FRIENDLY MATCH

The following have been selected to represent the K.F.C. in a friendly bowls match on Sunday, June 1, against the Southallers:—L. A. Mullett, C. Robinson, C. H. Fuller, E. Kern (skip); A. Lapsley, L. Bones, R. Ogden, P. Younghusband (skip); G. Frost, C. Woodcock, V. Atienza, V. Chittenden (skip); G. Cross, W. C. Ogley, A. Eastman, W. Simpson (skip).

## FIRST DIVISION

K.O.C.:—A. E. Perry, A. W. Smith, L. Jack, E. C. Fincher (skip); A. E. P. Guest, W. W. Parsons, N. J. Beh-



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## Three Phases Of Relief Commission's Work

More than 100,000 people impoverished by war have been helped by the Credit Loan Service of the National Relief Commission while 10,000 stranded refugees have been put back on their feet by its work-relief programme, according to a report recently released by the commission.

The commission's Credit Loan Service was established in May 1939. Up to the end of 1940, 18 main bureaux with 17 agencies and 53 sub-agencies were set up in provincial, municipal and hsien (county) centres of 18 provinces in China. To date, \$1,029,000 have been loaned out, and the number of people helped exceeds 100,000.

Most of the loan beneficiaries had been deprived by the war or Japanese bombings of their last belongings. On top there had been the flood disaster in North China, drought and other causes which have reduced many people to poverty. The loans they obtained from the agencies enabled them to start life anew. They became peddlers, food vendors, cigarette-sellers.

Anyone bereft of means of livelihood may apply for a loan. The amount ranges from \$10 to \$100. No interest is charged, and redemption is to be made in five to ten instalments.

Progress in the National Relief Commission's work-relief programme which was started in November, 1938 is marked by the establishment of 14 factories in Szechwan, Hunan, Yunnan, Sinkiang, Anhwei, Kiangsi and Fukien as well as Shanghai. In these factories more than 10,000 refugees who had lost their jobs and homes have found employment.

Rescued from a parasitic life in refugee camps, they have turned into producers. These factories are engaged in spinning and weaving of cotton and wool, leather-tanning, making earthenware and pottery. Preparations are afoot to establish six other factories in Hunan, Szechwan, Kwangtung, Shensi and Shansi—(C.I.C.).

## GOOD EYESIGHT

Factors that contribute towards the preservation of good eyesight are sufficient rest, proper posture, good lighting and adequate nutrition. Dr. Ching said. It is important that these factors be given the utmost attention if one seeks to obtain the maximum use of his eyes and preserve their beauty.

For the ordinary layman, it is not unimportant also to understand some of the more common eye diseases, the Doctor said, and one very sensible precaution for those who frequently visit tea-shops is to avoid wiping one's face with the moist towels handed around by the pretty waitresses!

## HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 30 May to 5 June 1941.

		HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Days of Week	Days of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Fri	30	h.m.	ft.	h.m.	ft.
		0155	4.9	0437	3.4
		1102	7.1	1848	0.6
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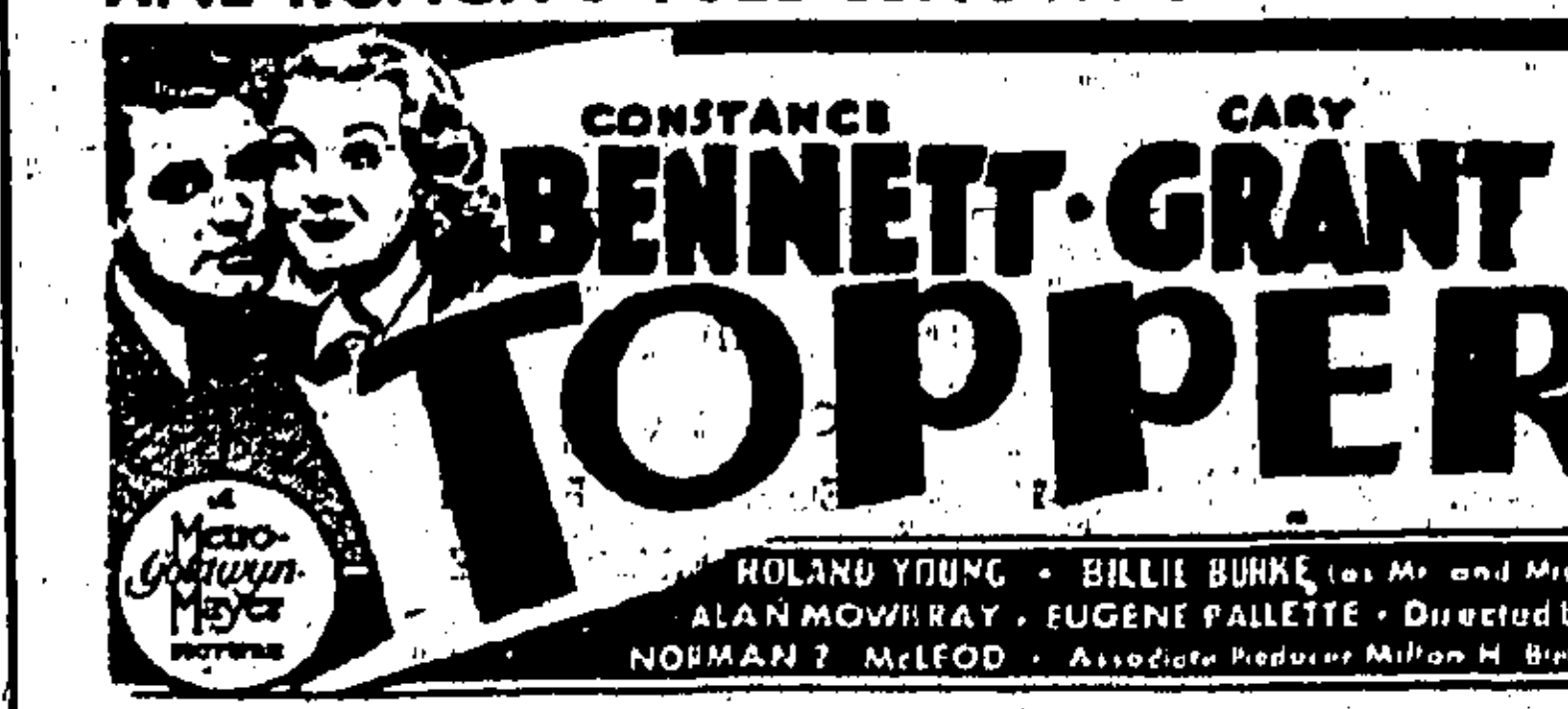
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**MAY**  
 30—Tides: High 12.52 a.m. & 11.02  
 p.m. Low: 4.57 a.m. and 6.48 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.33 a.m.; Sunset: 7.43 p.m.  
 La Salle Old Boys' Assn. Lecture:  
 "The Foundations of Civilization" 8  
 p.m.  
 Congregation of the H.K. University  
 for Conferring of Degrees, 9.30 p.m.  
 Lecture: Volunteer Nursing Detach-  
 ment, A.R.P. Hqs., 5.30 p.m.  
 Wartime Intercession Service, St.  
 Andrew's Church, 6.30 p.m.  
 R.A.O.C. Dinner, Gloucester Hotel,  
 Reading Room.  
 Cheero Club Darts and Table Ten-  
 nis.  
 Ladies' Working Party (E.W.O.F.),  
 Govt. House, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.  
 31—Tides: High 1.37 a.m. and 11.41  
 p.m. Low: 5.08 a.m. and 7.33 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 5.39 a.m.; Sunset: 7.03 p.m.  
 H.K. Jockey Club Sixth Extra  
 Meeting, 1.30 p.m.  
 Lecture: Dr. Clift on "Prophecy" 77  
 Pokfulam Road, 2nd floor, 8.30 p.m.  
 Sale of Work and Day of Gifts  
 H.-p. Yuen School, 3.20 p.m.

**JUNE**

1—Tides: High 2.27 a.m. and 12.21  
 p.m. Low: 5.47 a.m. and 8.23 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.03 p.m.  
 Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, West  
 Lounge, 9 p.m.  
 Wah Yeh Past Students' Assn. an-  
 nual sports meet, Caroline Hill, 10.30  
 a.m.  
 Annual Service of H.K.U.C.A. John's  
 Hall Chapel, 9.30 p.m.  
 2—Tides: High 3.22 a.m. and 1.32  
 p.m. Low: 6.46 a.m. and 9.17 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.04 p.m.  
 3—Tides: High 4.11 a.m. and 2.47  
 p.m. Low: 8.18 a.m. and 10.13 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 5.39 a.m.; Sunset: 7.04 p.m.  
 Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. Offices, 3  
 p.m.  
 4—Tides: High 4.57 a.m. and 4.19  
 p.m. Low: 10.37 a.m. and 11.07 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 5.38 a.m.; Sunset: 7.05 p.m.  
 5—Tides: High 5.44 a.m. and 5.42  
 p.m. Low: 12.07 a.m. and 11.56 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 5.39 a.m.; Sunset: 7.05 p.m.  
 Entries Close for June Meeting of  
 Macao Jockey Club, noon.

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The stupendous scale on which  
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 Holden portrays Peter Muncie and  
 Warren William is a border gam-  
 bler, Carteret.

"Arizona" was filmed almost en-  
 tirely in that state, meaning  
 that the producer-director and 27  
 studio departments had to func-  
 tion efficiently at a distance of  
 50 miles from home base.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Local Duets by Carroll Gil-  
 berts and John W. Green.

There's a Ring Around the Moon  
 (Green); Nymph Errant—Selection  
 (Cole Porter). I Want a Fair and  
 Square Man (from "Aunt Sally")—  
 Accompanied by Their Boy Friends.

1.11 Alfrede and His Orchestra.  
 Russian Gipsy Sketch (Ferraris);  
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## Radio Programmes

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O. M. GREEN'S NEWSLETTER

RELAYED FROM LONDON

Classical Reques

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Inter-  
 cession.

12.30 Variety with Len Berman  
 (Vocal).

Vocal—Leave the Pretty Girls Alone  
 (Carson Robinson); Medley—Intro: The  
 Girl in the Little Green Hat, This is  
 Romance; My Heart Jumped over the  
 Moon—Len Berman v. Orch. & Stop-  
 dancing by Len Berman. Instrumental—  
 All—Ten for Two (Yotumans, Caccary);  
 Night and Day (Cole Porter)—Jay  
 Wilbur's Serenaders. Vocal Meet the  
 Sun Half-Way (from "If I had my  
 way"); Make Believe Island (Kenny  
 Cross)—Beryl Davis with Instrumental  
 Accom. Harmonies Duet—Musky;  
 Muzik; Beer Barrel Polka (Brown &  
 others); The Fishin' Brothers v. Gel-  
 lert and Bass Acc. Vocal—It ain't No-  
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Rhymes (Lancetford and Chaplin)—  
 Sam Browne (Baritone with The  
 Rhythm Sisters. Intro: Brighter than  
 the Sun, If you'll say "Yes". Chorus:  
 Love is the sweetest thing. By the  
 Fireside: What more can I ask: Why  
 stars come out at night; The very  
 thought of you; Goodnight, sweet-  
 heart—Anton and the Paramount  
 Theatre Orchestra. Have You For-  
 gotten So Soon (Gilbert and Nicholls)—  
 Sam Browne (Baritone) with Orch.  
 Medley of Paso-Dobles—Intro: The  
 Spirit of the Matador (Pana); Juanita  
 (Fernande); A Girl like You (Ricardo)—  
 Anton & the Paramount Theatre  
 Orchestra.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of  
 the Hour."

7.30 Turner Layton (Vocal) at the  
 Piano.

Don't You Ever Cry (Alan & Brad  
 bury). I'll Always Love You (Watson  
 and Denby); Trade Winds (Friend &  
 Tobols).

7.40 Hawaiian Selections.

The Moon of Manakoa (Loesser &  
 Newman); Kiss Me Again (Herbert &  
 Blossom)—Felix Mendelssohn's Ha-  
 waiian Serenaders. Kohala March;  
 Honolulu March—Frank Ferera and  
 John K. Paalali. Maybe It's the Moon  
 (Whiting); Rock me in a Cradle of  
 Kahu (Wedding)—Frank Ferera's  
 Hawaiian Trio.

8.00 Local Time Signal and An-  
 nouncements.

8.02 Request Classical Programme.

Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso  
 (Saint-Saens)—Alfredo Campoli (Vio-  
 lin) and the London Symphony Orch.  
 Love and Music ("Tosca Act 2—Puc-  
 cini)—Carmen Mells (Soprano) with  
 Orchestra. Gavotte ("Mignon"—  
 Thomas)—Philadelphia Orchestra  
 cond. by Leopold Stokowski. Waltz in  
 G Flat Major, Op. 70, No. 1: Waltz in  
 D Flat, Op. 64, No. 1 (Chopin)—  
 Arthur De Greef (Piano). "Vour tiny  
 hand is frozen ("La Boheme" Act 1—  
 Puccini)—Just Bjorling (Tenor) with  
 Orchestra. Concerto for Trumpet and  
 Orchestra (Andante and Rondo—  
 Haydn)—George Eskdale (Trumpet) &  
 Symphony Orchestra. Ah, was it him  
 my heart forgot? ("La Traviata"  
 Act 1—Verdi)—Mercedes Capris (So-  
 prano) with Orch. "Aida"—Ballet  
 Suite (Verdi)—Boston Promenade Or-  
 chestra cond. by Arthur Fiedler. Caro-  
 none ("Rigoletto"—Verdi)—Lina  
 Pagliughi (Soprano) w. Milan Sym-  
 phony Orchestra. Waltz in C Sharp  
 Minor, Op. 64, No. 2 (Chopin)—Arthur  
 Rubinstein (Piano). Crocus Time—  
 Serenade for Strings (De La Rivera)—  
 Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News and  
 News Commentary.

9.15 Wagner—"Siegfried Idyll" and  
 Venusberg Music from Tannhauser.  
 Siegfried Idyll—Philharmonic Sym-  
 phony Orchestra of New York cond.  
 by Arturo Toscanini. Venusberg Music  
 (Bachchanale)—Royal Philharmonic  
 Orchestra cond. by Bruno Walter.

9.45—10.00 News in French (on  
 Short Wave only).

9.45 Cesar Franck—Symphonic  
 Variations.

1st Mov: Poco Allegro; 2nd Mov:  
 Allegretto quasi Andante; 3rd Mov:  
 Molto piu lento—Allegro non troppo—  
 Alfred Cortot (Piano) and the London  
 Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir  
 Landon Ronald.

10.00 London Relay—O. M. Green's  
 Newsletter.

10.15 Popular Ballads.

Pretty Mocking Bird (Bishop)—  
 Mavis Bennett (Soprano) w. piano.  
 Roses of Picardy (Haydn Wood);  
 Thank God for a Garden (Del Riego);  
 —Alfred Picaver (Tenor) w. piano.  
 accomp. Friend o' mine (Weatherly—  
 Sanderson)—Oscar Natzke (Bass) w.  
 piano accomp. When Love Is Kind  
 (arr. Crofts)—Kathleen Roddy (So-  
 prano) w. piano accomp. Fill a Glass  
 with Golden Wine (Henley and  
 Quilter); Good Night (Shelley and  
 Davis)—Hubert Elsdell (Tenor) with  
 piano.

10.35 Debroy Somers and His Band.  
 Ballroom Waltz Memories—Intro:  
 Invitation to the Waltz; Destiny;  
 Merry Widow; Three o'clock in the  
 Morning; The Skaters; The Chorus;  
 The Cuckoo; After the Ball. Theatre  
 Memories—"The Gaiety"—Intro: When  
 I Marry Amelia; Queen of My Heart;  
 A Little Bit of String; Keep off the  
 Grass; Bedelia; Mary; Brighton; They  
 Wouldn't Believe Me; 365 Days; Song  
 of the Vagabonds; Every Woman  
 Thinks She Wants to Wander; Rock-  
 ing with You in My Arms. Savoy  
 Russian Memories—Intro: Rachman-  
 noff Prelude; Red Sarafan; Black  
 Eyes; Song of the Volga Boatmen;  
 1812 Overture.

11.00 Close Down.

**SHORT WAVE**

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G.S.G. 17.79a. (168.6m.)

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G.S.H. 21.47m. (31.57m.)

G.S.O. 15.18m. (19.79m.)

**NEWS IN ENGLISH**

Transmission I—News Sum-  
 mary 4.00 p.m.

Full Bulletin 5.00 p.m.

Transmission V—News Sum-  
 mary 6.45 p.m.

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ments accordingly. They stay two

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living with the teachers



# VARIED WORLD REACTIONS TO ROOSEVELT SPEECH

## Australia Regards As Significant Passage On "Freedom Of Seas"

ZURICH, May 29 (Reuter) — The first press comments show keen disappointment over President Roosevelt's speech which, according to the Basler Nachrichten, added nothing to what he had already said before. "If America has decided to enter the war, it is difficult to understand why she does not fulfil this decision in the hour of the greatest need of her Anglo-Saxon friend," says the paper.

The paper assumes that American public opinion is still unprepared. The article adds: "The declaration of a state of emergency in the United States means delay rather than hastening of the Americans' entry into the war because it shows that President Roosevelt expects a long transition period. Therefore, he obtained powers which, as C-in-C, he would automatically acquire if war were declared."

A message from Canberra states that President Roosevelt's insistence on the "freedom of the seas" in his momentous speech is regarded in authoritative Federal circles as having tremendous significance.

It is believed that this reference, coupled with the proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency, will lead to abandonment of the previously proclaimed defence zones, to much wider use of American ships in the areas from which they hitherto have been debarked and to unhesitating use of force in resisting any attack on them.

### SPECIAL CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, May 29 (Reuter) — President Roosevelt is to hold a special press conference at which he is expected to clear up the question of convoys.

Mr. Stephen Early, the President's Secretary, announced this yesterday morning. When told by reporters that the President's speech had left some confusion as regards the convoy issue, he replied: "I think he will clear that up and I would rather that he did it."

Replying to a question whether President Roosevelt's plea to all citizens to put defence first meant that the time for debate was over, Mr. Early replied that certainly free speech would continue.

Remarking that while the speech represented "80 per cent. of the job," the President still had about 20 per cent. cleaning up to do.

### RECORDS BROKEN

Mr. Stephen Early said that a survey made on behalf of the Columbia Broadcasting System showed that the reception of the President's address broke all previous records, it being calculated that 65,650,000 persons in the United States, plus 20,000,000 in Canada, South America and Britain, listened to the broadcast.

He said that telegrams and telephone calls pouring into the White House broke all records, it being impossible to tabulate them.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, said that as far as he was able to learn, the reaction generally had been excellent, this appearing to apply also to Latin American diplomats.

### AUSTRALIAN INTEREST

SYDNEY, May 29 (Reuter) — So great was the interest in President Roosevelt's declaration that radio shops were packed with listeners who even blocked the sidewalks.

Cars equipped with radio sets were surrounded with people listening intently and listeners similarly thronged hotel lounges.

### "DECKS CLEARED"

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — "President Roosevelt has cleared the decks for action," said a London spokesman.

The President's declaration of the freedom of the seas, is interpreted here as fresh evidence of the President's unusual political astuteness.

At the time of the controversy over material aid for Britain, President Roosevelt cut the Gordian knot by the simple solution of the Lease and Lend Bill. Yesterday, he has done a similar thing on the specific and possibly controversial matter of convoys—he has proclaimed the broad and fundamental policy of freedom of the seas and this embraces everything in this respect.

### PRESS COMMENTS

WASHINGTON, May 29 (Reuter) — That the nation has been doubly stirred by President Roosevelt's speech is obvious from the favourable comment continuing to pour in from all over the country.

P.M. on its front page proclaims "our conclusion, We are in it."

The New York Post with huge black streamers, says: "The President has spoken our will to act without further notice to safeguard Dakar, the Azores and Cape Verde."

Governor Lehmann of New York said: "The speech will bring renewed faith and strength to those bravely fighting to preserve their own freedom and the liberties of those other countries who still remain free."

The New York Sun, with a streamer, says: "The United States, on emergency basis, is committed to stop the Axis."

Meanwhile newspapers throughout the country are generally favourable. The Philadelphia Public Ledger says: "The hour of decision has found American public opinion thoroughly prepared."

It says that there is no shadow or sign of neutrality in the speech but rather a determined stand against Hitler even to a promise to challenge German rights in British waters.

"The last vestiges of neutrality have been stripped from the United States, not by any desire of the people as expressed in the Neutrality Act but by the acts and words of the President."

## ANGLO-RUSSIAN RELATIONS

### Commons Query Elicits Only A Formal Reply

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — Mr. Anthony Eden, Secretary for War, was only able to give a formal reply in the House of Commons yesterday to a question about the Anglo-Russian relations.

He was asked when Ambassador Cripps last had an interview with M. Stalin and whether any assurance was sought or given regarding the Soviet intentions in the Near East.

Mr. Eden said while Ambassador Cripps maintained regular contact with the Soviet Government, he has not recently had an interview with M. Stalin.

"With regard to the second part of the question, I am not in the position to make any statement."

## AERIAL OPERATIONS IN MIDDLE EAST

CAIRO, May 29 (Reuter) — The bombing of Aleppo aerodrome in Syria and a successful series of raids on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi in Crete are the highlights of an official Middle East air communiqué.

"Libya.—The harbour at Benghazi was attacked by bombers on the night of May 26-27. One building was demolished and a number of fires were started at the base of the Cathedral Mosque."

"Near Sidi Barrani, a Messerschmitt-109 was captured after a forced landing and over Tobruk a Junkers-52 (troop-carrier) was shot down by gunfire."

"A successful attack was made by our bombers yesterday on shipping off the African coast. Several direct hits were made on two merchant-ships of between 8,000 and 10,000 tons each of which were seen emitting columns of smoke."

## NO REVISION OF NEUTRALITY ACT

WASHINGTON, May 29 (Reuter) — President Roosevelt has no intention of asking for a repeal of the Neutrality Act and is not considering its revision.

The President made this clear at a special press conference yesterday to clarify certain outstanding questions following his "fireside chat."

The President added that he was not at present considering any executive orders to implement his proclamation of a state of "unlimited national emergency."

## EXECUTIVE LEADERS OF U.S. ARMY

One of the most remarkable features about the United States army has always been the simplified method of concentration of executive power.

The army is under the direct supervision of the war department. Secretary of War, Col. Henry L. Stimson, has been a soldier, lawyer, and statesman, and who is holding his third cabinet post. He was Secretary of War under President William Howard Taft, Secretary of State in Herbert Hoover's cabinet.

Col. Stimson was long an advocate of international peace, guaranteed, if necessary, by force. He became Secretary of State under Hoover just when international peace machinery had reached the high water mark, and during his four year term, he witnessed its collapse. It was generally believed that he would have used force to uphold the Briand-Kellogg treaty had that been possible. Hoover, however, believed that international peace can be achieved only through international disarmament, and Col. Stimson's "big stick" waving frightened no one.

Col. Stimson was out of the public eye during almost the whole of President Roosevelt's first two terms. It was only at the end of the second term that he reappeared as Secretary of War, succeeding Mr. Harry Woodring.

Col. Stimson was a graduate of Yale University and the Harvard School of Law. He entered the Judge-Advocate's office as a major during the first world war, and served overseas in command of an artillery regiment.

Directly under Col. Stimson is Chief of Staff General George C. Marshall, known to his intimates as "George," and to his men as a soldier's soldier. Gen. Marshall is admirably suited to command the army at this time when speed, maneuverability and discipline play such an important role in the success or failure of campaigns. It was his spectacular movement of 600,000 Americans into the Meuse-Argonne operations in September, 1918, and the withdrawal of 200,000 French troops that enabled the Allies to win the greatest battle of the World War.

### GENERAL MARSHALL

After the War, Gen. Marshall returned to the United States with General John J. Pershing, serving as his aide-de-camp for five years. He was "detached" to Tientsin, China, during the 1927-28 period of unrest, then became an instructor in the Army War college, did a five-year tour of duty at Fort Benning, Ga., and went to Washington in June, 1938, as assistant chief of the war-plans division.

Gen. Marshall is soft spoken, but answers questions with machine-gun rapidity. He does on speed and efficiency, and thrives on deep studies of tactics and strategy. An infantryman by training, he has carried on the policies initiated by his predecessor, Gen. Mallin Craig, including development of aviation and anti-aircraft defences.

As his deputy to carry out these functions, Gen. Marshall has selected Major-General Delos C. Emmons, whose title is Commander of the General Headquarters Air Force.

Gen. Emmons has spent 32 of his 52 years in the army. He began a career as an infantryman after his graduation from West Point in 1909. He served in the Mexican Border Patrol in 1918, and was assigned to the aviation signal corps in San Francisco and Washington during the World War. In 1934, he was graduated from the command and general staff school and was assigned as

## MAGNIFICENT WORK OF EMPIRE TROOPS IN THE EAST AFRICAN CAMPAIGN LAUDED BY BIRDWOOD

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — General Sir Archibald Wavell's strategy in completing the conquest of the Italian East African empire when distractions were about further north was vindicated in the House of Lords yesterday by Field Marshal Lord Birdwood and the Under-Secretary for War, Lord Croft.

Lord Birdwood, who is often called the "Father of the Indian Army," said that he had an uncomfortable feeling that unwittingly, full justice had not been done to the magnificent work of the officers and men from India, Dominions and the colonies in the East African campaign.

Lord Birdwood said that the majority of troops were from South Africa and India and practically every African colony was represented.

It was certain that Hitler ordered his subordinate, the Duke of Aosta, to contain the British troops as long as possible in Abyssinia to use up their large supplies. A feature of the campaign, however, was the extreme rapidity with which the operations were carried through.

### TROOPS PRAISED

Referring to the mines and demolitions left by the retreating Italians, Lord Birdwood said: "No troops could have done better than my Indian friends in circumventing these difficulties."

Lord Croft warmly concerned with Lord Birdwood's praise of the Empire troops, notably the Indians and South Africans, and said: "When we realise the colossal distance travelled in the great hunt for the Bismarck, it gives more idea of the distances covered up the East African sea-coast to Addis Ababa, for within a month every capital of the Italian East African Empire was occupied."

### AXIS STRATEGY

Dealing with the importance of the East African operations, Lord Croft declared that the obvious strategy of the Axis is to pinch out Egypt and the Suez Canal, and endeavour to drive us from the Mediterranean.

Our first great essential, therefore, was to remove the great menace of the Duke of Aosta's Army of 250,000, being able to attack us through the Sudan and Suez.

The success of the operations may well have been a very decisive influence on the momentous days which face us in the Middle East.

## MASS AIR RAID ON LANCHOW

### SUBURBS OF TOWN MACHINE-GUNNED

LANCHOW, May 29 (Central) — Thirty-nine Japanese planes in three groups raided Lanchow, capital of Kansu, on Tuesday morning.

The first group was composed of six planes. But one of them turned back midway. The remaining five circled over the city around 10.50 a.m.

The second group of 24 planes reaching over the city around 11 a.m. was heavily fired at by Chinese anti-aircraft guns. One of the machines was seen to have been hit and damaged in its tail. Bombs were dropped in the eastern outskirts.

Eight pursuits and a scouting plane forming the third group broke into the city limits at noon after machine-gunning the western suburbs.

Eight other enemy planes also attacked Senyang, in Shensi, on Tuesday morning.

commanding officer of the 18th composite wing in the Hawaiian Islands. Two years later, he was given command of the first wing at March Field, Calif. and last year was appointed commanding general of the G.H.Q. air force at Langley Field, Va. Gen. Emmons was in command of the squadron of Flying Fortresses which visited South America in November, 1939.

The commanders of the four field armies are General Hugh Drum, stationed at Governors Island, New York; General Ben Lear, at Memphis; General Herbert Brees, at San Antonio, and General John L. Dewitt at San Francisco. Another General destined to be heard from in the future is General Adna Chaffey. He will be in command of the armoured division.

## Hard Fighting In Crete

### MAIN NAZI EFFORT CONCENTRATED AT MALEMI

CAIRO, May 29 (Reuter) — Authoritative military circles summed up the Crete battle last night as follows:

"It is continuing to develop as an intensive stand-up slogging match. The fighting is hard, particularly in the area between Canea and Malemi."

"The situation is somewhat obscure and it is difficult to get accurate reports. More Germans are arriving all the time and our troops, holding a line of more or less continuous positions, are being borne back by their attacks."

"There are a certain number of Germans at Retimo and Heraklion. The fighting at these two points is isolated and is of no importance compared with Malemi, where the main effort is concentrated."

"The troops concerned are mostly New Zealanders, Australians and some British."

### AIR OPERATIONS

A Middle East air communiqué states that aircraft of the R.A.F. carried out a number of successful raids on Tuesday and during the preceding night on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Malemi. During the day a heavy attack was made on a large number of enemy aircraft on the ground. Many of these were destroyed and several others were severely damaged.

Fighter aircraft also intercepted a formation of Junkers-88 bombers north of the island and shot down three of them.

"During the night attack, five enemy aircraft are believed to have been destroyed on the aerodrome at Malemi and several others set ablaze on the adjacent beaches, were also bombed and machine-gunned."

## TWO THOUSAND MEN GO DOWN WITH BISMARCK

ZURICH, May 29 (Reuter) — Nearly 2,000 men were lost in the sinking of the German battleship Bismarck, according to an estimate reported by the Basler Nachrichten, who observes that crews on German ships are bigger than on British.

### "A GREAT HUNT"

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — "It was a great hunt and we are eager and ready for more," states a message to the Admiralty from the Commander-in-Chief, Coastal Command, replying to a signal from the Admiralty gratefully acknowledging the part played by the Coastal Command in reconnaissance for the Bismarck.

The signal from the Admiralty states that this reconnaissance "contributed in a large measure to the successful outcome of the recent operation."

## SLIGHT ACTIVITY OVER BRITAIN

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter) — A few enemy aircraft flew inland and only for short distances from daybreak until yesterday afternoon, says an Air Ministry communiqué.

During the afternoon, an enemy bomber was shot down by British fighters over South-east Scotland.

## S'HAH NEWSMAN ABDUCTED

CHUNGKING, May 29 (Central) — Chang I-ping, editor of the Shun Pao, Chinese daily in Shanghai, who is on the blacklist published by the Nanking regime last year was abducted yesterday by Wang Ching-wei's agents from his residence in the French Concession to the western district of Shanghai, according to a Shanghai dispatch.



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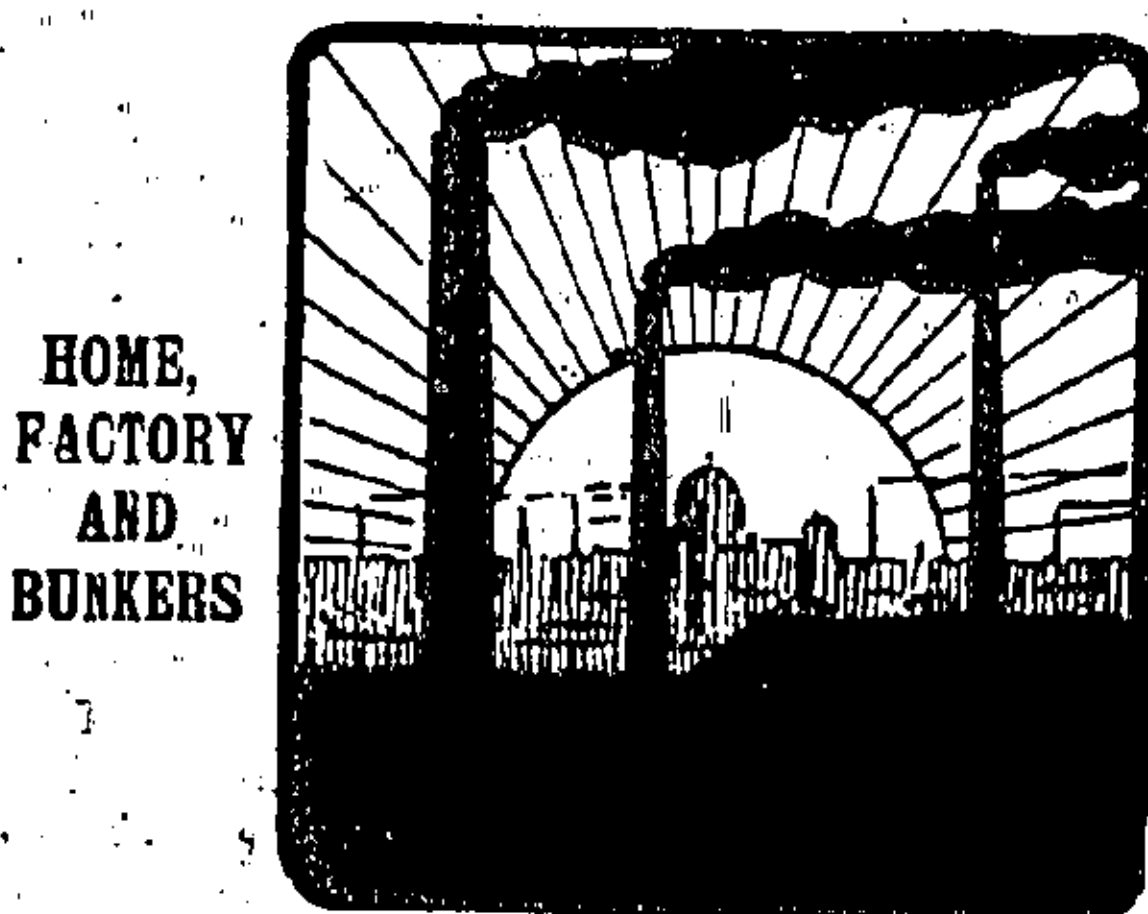
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# INTENSIFICATION OF HONGKONG'S WAR EFFORT: APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED BY THE GOVERNOR

## General Increase Of Present Basic Rates Of Taxation

"I HAVE RECENTLY APPOINTED A COMMITTEE WITH WIDE TERMS OF REFERENCE TO STUDY THE WHOLE OF HONGKONG'S WAR EFFORT AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ITS INTENSIFICATION. One of their principal tasks will be to suggest what reductions can be made in imports and I trust that they will find it possible to make substantial proposals," declared HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, SIR GEOFFREY NORTHCOTE, K.C.M.G., when addressing the Legislative Council meeting yesterday afternoon.

Referring to the Report of the Reconstituted War Revenue Committee, which was tabled at the meeting, His Excellency said that he had discussed the report with the Executive Council and had recommended to them, and had obtained their concurrence with, the general increase of the present basic rates to 7 per cent. and 14 per cent.

His Excellency said:— The laying of the report of the War Revenue Committee gives me an opportunity to address you briefly on a subject which, as correspondence in the local papers from time to time reveals, is on the minds of many others than myself. That subject is the adequacy or otherwise of Hongkong's war effort.

### ECONOMIC SIDE

As you are well aware the economic side of the war is of paramount importance, and with that in view the people of the United Kingdom have accepted so heavy a weight of taxation and have so drastically restricted their consumption of all but the bare necessities of life that the standard of living there is now definitely lower than it was two years ago.

The purposes of these great sacrifices are to save shipping space, to save labour on non-essential goods and to save money. It will not be denied that, in so far as it lies in our power here, we should do likewise.

With this end in view I have recently appointed a committee with wide terms of reference to study the whole of Hongkong's war effort and to make recommendations for its intensification. One of their principal tasks will be to suggest what reductions can be made in imports and I trust that they will find it possible to make substantial proposals. The problem is one of peculiar difficulty in Hongkong, which, exists mainly on its entrepot trade though its manufacturing side has largely increased during the last three years.

That most important issue will be carefully kept in mind by the committee and by the Government in making its decisions.

The other means whereby Hongkong can contribute more fully to the war effort is through taxation, and I come at this point to the report of the War Revenue Committee which was laid this afternoon. The committee quite rightly considered the problem before it in the same light as that in which the War Revenue Ordinance was devised, that is to say, the provi-

sion of sufficient revenue to cover our war expenditure, including certain gifts to His Majesty's Government.

### MORE WATERTIGHT

To this end they have produced a series of very valuable recommendations which will strengthen and render more watertight the existing ordinance, and in order to meet the heavier war expenditure of the Colony they have recommended that the basic rates of the various forms of taxation should be raised from the present basic rates to 6 per cent. and 12 per cent. respectively. In order that this increase should not weigh too heavily on the least well-to-do of those liable to pay Salary Tax they have recommended reasonable increases in the allowances for wife and children.

I have, however, discussed the report with the Executive Council in the light of what I have said already about the general intensification of our war effort, and I have recommended to them, and have obtained their concurrence with, the general increase of the present basic rates to 7 per cent. and 14 per cent.

So far as the salary tax is concerned I am giving close personal attention to the question, whether this further increase will react harshly on lower-salaried residents who have to maintain a family elsewhere than in Hongkong, having regard to the very considerable increases that are being made in the allowances for wives and children. That must be avoided.

The Attorney General will in due course inform you in detail of these proposed amendments.

### BOMBER FUND

Before leaving this subject I offer to the organisers of the South China Morning Post Bomber Fund my very hearty congratulations on having passed the two million dollar mark. I feel sure that the Council will fully join their congratulations to mine.

I trust that what I have said this afternoon about the Colony's war effort will not be taken as derogatory to their energetic patriotism or to the public spirited munificence of the many individuals and firms who have contributed to that fine total. My remarks have, of course, a very different bearing.

I confidently hope that what I have said regarding the closer approximation of Hongkong's war effort to that being made in the home country will have your full approval.

## No Evidence As To The Definition Of Grade 1 Rice

Summoned for selling rice on three occasions at prices in excess of the rates fixed by Government, CHAN SAU-CHI, manager of the KIN TAI LOONG rice firm, No. 27, Bonham Strand West, was discharged by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when the prosecution failed to produce evidence as to the definition of Grade 1 rice.

In discharging defendant, Mr. Sheldon said that defendant was summoned for selling Grade 1 rice at prices higher than the maximum rate ordered, which was fixed at \$14.40 per picul, but he was satisfied that the rice referred to in this case was so-called "Green Goat Special" rice and "Siamese" rice.

Since he did not know what Grade 1 rice was, said the Magistrate, and prosecution had not offered evidence to define what Grade 1 rice was, the prosecution had failed in all the three summonses.

### THE SUMMONSES

The summonses alleged that defendant sold 17,835.5 cattles of Grade 1 rice at \$14.68 per picul to Chau Yuk-hang, of the Wah Cheong Rice Shop, No. 94, Connaught Road West, on Mar. 21; 33,352 cattles at \$16.27 per picul to Chay Pik-son, of the Shing Shun Rice Shop, No. 103, Connaught Rd.

West, on Apr. 14; and 35,948 cattles at \$17.22 per picul to Fung Dock, of the Nam Fat Rice Shop, No. 110, Connaught Road West, on Apr. 20.

Insp. F. D. B. Tuckett prosecuted, while defendant was represented by Mr. Edgar Davidson, who pleaded not guilty.

The first two summonses were heard last Wednesday, when the first two complainants testified that the rice they bought from defendant was definitely superior to the Government classified Grade 1 rice.

### RICE TO BE STOCKED

Giving evidence yesterday, Mr. F. C. Barry, Manager of the Government Rice Monopoly, said that on Feb. 22, defendant's firm was informed by letter that all their rice imported was to be stocked up in godowns and no sale to be made without his express permission.

On Mar. 22, defendant's firm applied for the release of 30,000 bags

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## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

### AT CENTRAL

#### FALSE PRETENCES

Wong Tak-shui, 25, unemployed, of no fixed abode, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday on two charges of obtaining money by false pretences.

Ma Chu, 21, shop fkl, was complainant. Det.-Sgt. C. Pope said that defendant, formerly in the employ of the Dairy Farm, Pokfulam, as a cow hand, obtained from complainant \$58 on May 8 and another \$58 on May 12, by pretending that he could get a job for him at the Dairy Farm.

Sentence of three months on each charge, the terms to run concurrently, was imposed.

#### THEFT OF CLOTHING

Pleading guilty to a charge of stealing a suit of cotton clothing, the property of Leung Yiu-fong, married woman, from No. 47, Bonham Road, ground floor, Kan So, 30, unemployed, was sentenced by Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday to one month's hard labour.

Det.-Sgt. W. Summers said that defendant admitted stealing the clothing from the back yard of the said address when he was stopped and questioned by a constable.

It was stated that defendant had two previous convictions.

#### SNATCHER CONVICTED

Sentence of six months' hard labour was imposed by Mr. Lowry yesterday on Wong Ming, 28, unemployed, for stealing a white metal wrist watch, valued at \$25, from the person of a 18-year-old married woman, Cheng Shun-hing, at Queen's Road Central, near Ladder Street, on May 28.

Defendant admitted three previous convictions.

Insp. A. Kirby prosecuted.

#### CONSTABLE CHARGED

Police Constable C514, Chu Yan-po, 29, was charged before Mr. Sheldon yesterday with, together with two others not in custody, stealing \$118 from the person of Lam Chiu-ping at Queen's Road West on May 28.

A remand of 48 hours was granted, defendant being allowed \$1,000 bail.

Acting Sub-Insp. C. T. Byron is in charge of the case.

#### AMAH GAOLED

An amah, Mui Yee, 34, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. Sheldon yesterday for larceny by servant of gold neck chain, valued at \$250, the property of her mistress, Cheung Wai-kwan, 28, married woman, at No. 221, Jaffe Road, second floor, on May 25.

Det.-Sgt. V. M. Morrison prosecuted.

#### FACTORY MANAGER FINED

The manager of the Bat Tat Weaving Company, No. 164, Belcher's Street, Kennedy Town, was fined \$100 by Mr. Sheldon yesterday for having allowed 17 women workers to work until 1.45 a.m. on May 4.

Defendant, Yip Kin-chuen, pleaded guilty, but presented a letter to the Magistrate.

Mr. Sheldon: Are you told by the Military Authorities to work 24 hours a day?

Defendant: I was told to carry on for 24 hours a day by my contractor.

Mr. C. E. Drown, Labour Inspector, who was in charge of the prosecution: I appreciate that, but there is no shortage of female workers in the Colony. He has only registered for 18 months and I informed him of the regulations some time ago.

### AT KOWLOON

#### RETURNED BANISHER

For entering a dwelling house during the night with intent to commit a felony and for breach of a deportation order, Lau Shing, 30, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson yesterday.

Sgt. Whitley said that he was found on the first floor of No. 169, Argyle Street about 4.30 a.m. on Wednesday. A drawer had been forced open but nothing had been

## U.S. Memorial Day Tribute To The Dead

### AMERICANS TO LAY FLOWERS ON HAPPY VALLEY GRAVES

In commemoration of U.S. Memorial Day, a party of American ladies, an American naval party, and MR. ROBERT C. COUDRAY, American Vice-Consul, representing the Consulate General, will assemble at the Colonial Cemetery this morning at 10.30 a.m., for the purpose of laying wreaths on the graves of American citizens buried at Happy Valley.

After the ceremony at the Colonial Cemetery, the party will proceed to the Catholic Cemetery and be received by FATHER GRAMPA. The party will then repair to the Hebrew Cemetery where they will be received by MR. LAWRENCE KADOORIE, President of the Hebrew Community.

A United States naval officer, representing the United States Navy and accompanied by American naval ratings from the U.S.S. ASHEVILLE, will be in attendance.

Originally the day was a memorial to those who died in the Civil War, but now it has become a general day of remembrance for all war dead and is observed in many states of the Union, and possessions, as a national holiday.

All American citizens who care to participate are requested to attend.

stolen. Accused gained entrance by climbing up a drain pipe.

#### CHOPPER ATTACK SEQUEL

Before Mr. H. C. Macnamara yesterday a 68-year-old man, Yip Yun, was charged with wounding his relative, Kui Pui-wai, a woman on May 1.

Accused was sentenced to six months' imprisonment without hard labour.

Sergeant R. McVey said that accused was detained in hospital for ten days in March owing to mental trouble. After he had been released he walked all night and slept all day.

On May 1 he suddenly wounded his relative with a chopper. The woman was admitted to hospital suffering from injuries to the head, face and arm.

Accused was examined by three doctors who could detect no mental disease.

He pleaded that he was not insane but only "his mind was upset."

#### WALLET FOUND

A black leather wallet, containing \$24 Hongkong currency and a ferry ticket, has been found by the Police near the Star Ferry Wharf on Wednesday.

Owner of the wallet can claim it from the Water Police Station.

#### LARCENY BY BAILEE

Alleged to have stolen a large quantity of goods by bailee, Shum Lee-sang, 20, master of trading junk "No. T1140H," was charged before Mr. Anderson yesterday.

Mr. K. F. Wong appeared for accused, while Mr. M. A. da Silva, assisted by Det.-Sgt. T. Matches, prosecuted.

Mr. Silva said that the junk master was engaged to transport cargo to Chinese territories, but after selling it, he returned to the Colony and reported a false robbery.

Evidence would be called that part of the cargo had been sold to two firms, one at No. 68, Prince Edward Road and the other in Kowloon City.

Hearing was adjourned until June 24.

#### MANHOLES STOLEN

Appearing before Mr. Anderson yesterday, Wong Hong, 35, was charged with larceny of two manhole covers, property of the Government, from Canton Road and Reclamation Street.

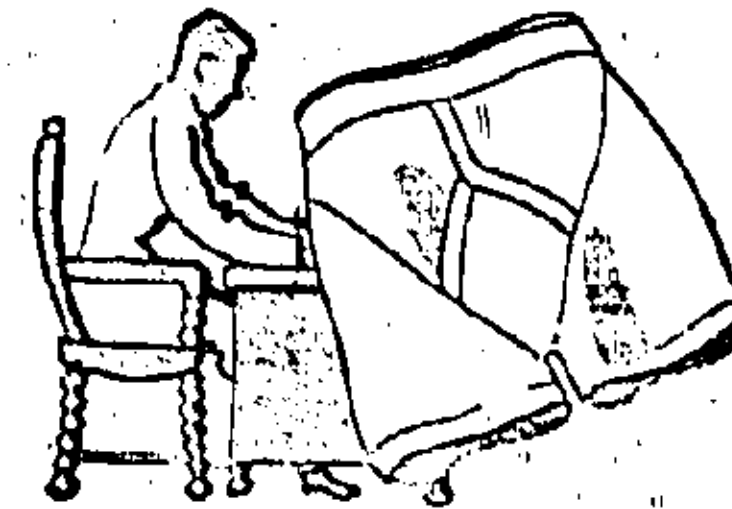
Accused was remanded for 48 hours.

#### "DRAGON BOAT" PUDDING

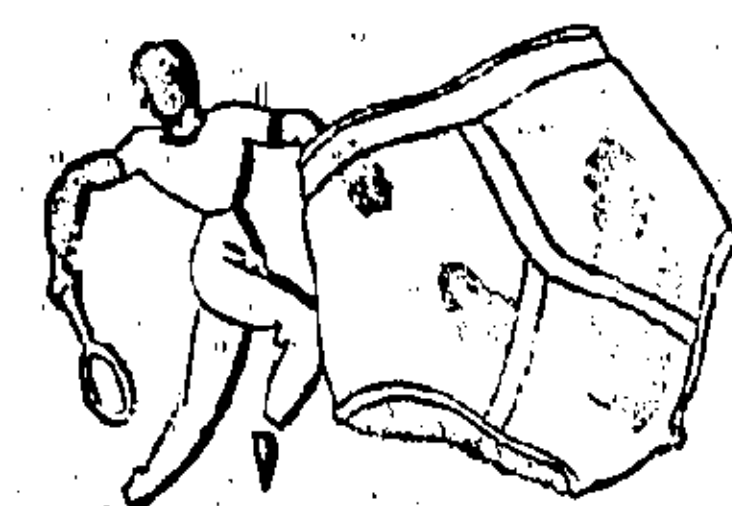
Mak Chong, 20, and Man Yung, 25, were charged before Mr. Anderson yesterday with larceny of a quantity of "Chung," Chinese pudding prepared for the celebration of "Dragon Boat Day."

Sub-Insp. T. Collins asked for a remand of 24 hours which was granted.

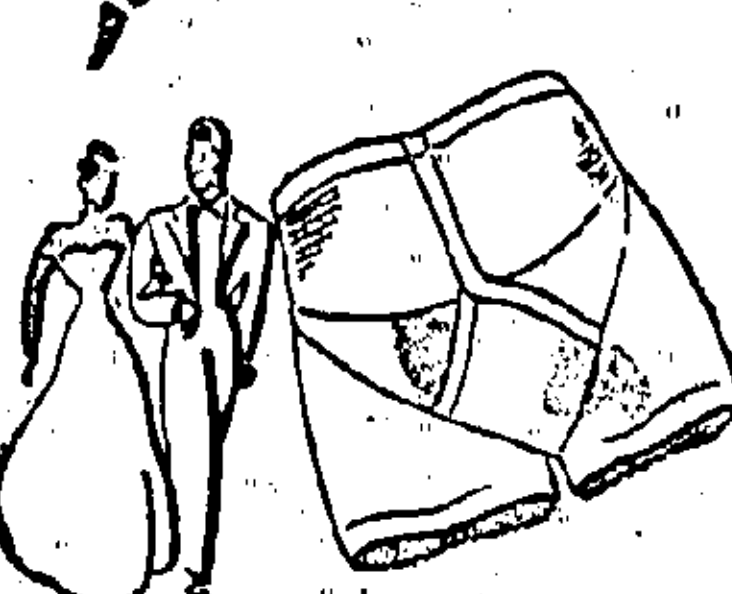
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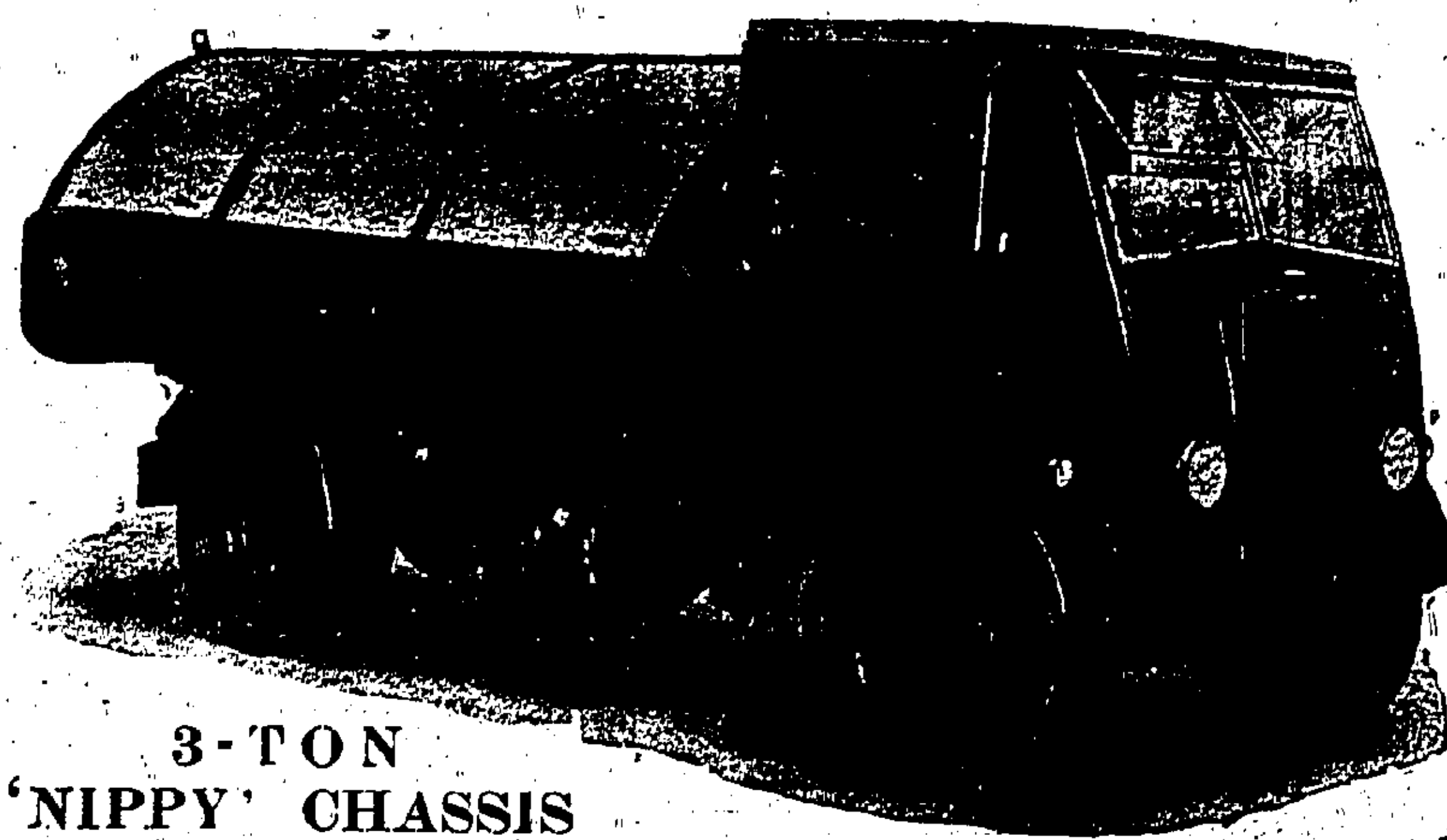
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

G. R.  
PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 3rd day of June, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
No. 4308		Playground Road, Mong Kok.	N. S. E. W. 100 ft. 100 ft. 100 ft. 100 ft.	3,600	60	\$100
As per sale plan						

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$810.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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No. 4106		Tai Hang Road, West of Island Lot No. 3454.	N. S. E. W. 100 ft. 100 ft. 100 ft. 100 ft.	1,000	120	\$1,000
As per sale plan						

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$700.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

PEAK TRAMWAYS  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th JUNE, 1941, at 11.00 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1941.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 4th day of June, to WEDNESDAY, 11th of June, 1941, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS  
& SON,  
General Managers.  
Hong Kong: 29th May, 1941.

CHINESE ESTATES,  
LIMITED.

## LOST SHARE CERTIFICATES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Certificates Nos. 260, 261 & 262 registered in the name of Sum Pak Ming covering One hundred and five shares in this Company, particulars of which are given below, have been reported, LOSS or MISLAIN and NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that unless the said certificates are produced at the registered office of the Company at China Building, 5th floor, Hong Kong within THIRTY DAYS from the date of this Notice, the aforesaid Certificates Nos. 260, 261 & 262 shall be deemed CANCELLED and OF NO EFFECT and an application to the Company for the issue of duplicate certificates in respect of the said shares will be proceeded with in the usual course.

The particulars of the said shares are as follows:—

No. of certificate	No. of shares	Distinctive Nos.
260	50	12300 to 12349
261	50	12350 to 12399
262	5	12400 to 12494

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
FUNG PING FAN,  
Director & Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 30th May, 1941.

## BANK HOLIDAY.

In Accordance with Government Ordinance, THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 2nd June, 1941. (Whit Monday).

Hongkong, 28th May, 1941.

## G. R.

Tenders are invited for the supply of approximately 20,000 cubic feet of Hardwood Cut Timber to be delivered to various sites on the island of Hong Kong.

Forms of Tender may be obtained from the Government Stores Department, 249 Electric Road, North Point.

W. J. ANDERSON,  
Controller of Stores.  
May 28, 1941.

WANT-ADS  
are seen!

The Daily Press  
報西刺升

Editorial and Business Office:  
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HONGKONG, MAY 30, 1941.

IN DEFENCE OF  
FREEDOM

IT IS a common failing in human nature, when an atmosphere of great expectancy has been built round an approaching event, which, by reason of the circumstances in which it takes place, is regarded as being of considerable significance, to feel some measure of disappointment when the event falls even slightly short of results which the imaginative mind, unversed in the complexities and intricacies of the situation, feels sure should have materialised. This has been the reaction in some quarters, particularly in the United States itself, to the eagerly awaited speech made by President Roosevelt on Tuesday. In point of fact, however, a careful analysis of what the President said reveals implications that meet, in a thoroughly satisfactory manner, nearly every expectation of those who felt disappointed because the head of the United States failed to put their thoughts into so many words of a decisive character. Just because President Roosevelt did not say that he was going to ask the Congress to declare war on the Axis Powers, or because he made no forthright statement that the United States Navy would escort American merchant ships bearing supplies to Britain and her allies, or that he would repeal the Neutrality Act, it does not mean that any of these possibilities was absent from his words.

THE PRESIDENT'S whole speech was underlined with the word "Freedom." That was the keynote of every aspect of the present political situation on which he touched. To maintain that freedom, in the present circumstances of the world, when liberties and rights of individuals and nations are being constantly threatened and violated, it must be defended and the President showed unmistakably that he was determined to defend it, wherever it was menaced, when he proclaimed that a state of unlimited national emergency would immediately be created in the country. This is exactly how he met the anticipations of those who hoped to hear him make the more fateful pronouncement, for the proclamation of a state of unlimited national emergency means only one thing—and that is that the whole country has been placed on a war footing. Such a measure can have but one interpretation in the light of present developments throughout the world. As a final warning to the Axis Powers it simply takes on the form of a preliminary ultimatum to Germany and her brood of pirates, who have begun to prey on civilisation and its rights, that no quarter will be given unless they desist from extending their evil domination and that, at the same time, those who are opposing them in the struggle for freedom can, must and will, have every ounce of assistance that the United States is able to give them.

THE DEEPER significance

Dragon Boat  
Festival  
Today

Dragon Boat races will be held in various parts of the Colony today in celebration of one of the most interesting Chinese festivals. Specially constructed boats, each holding between 30 to 40 paddlers, complete with banners and drums, will compete for trophies this afternoon.

The Dragon Boat Festival is based on a political theme of actual occurrence.

According to Chinese history, King Wai of the Chou State had a very able minister, named Wut Yuen, who was so favoured by the King that he was promoted to high rank which caused much resentment among the other selfish and deceitful ministers.

## SCHEMING OFFICIALS

Certain traitorous ministers of the Chou State conspired with certain ambitious and scheming officials of the Tsun State to conquer and absorb the Chou State.

Wut Yuen had thrice advised his king not to declare war on the Tsun State, and on the King refusing to take his advice Wut Yuen resigned his position and jumped into the Pok River, near Changshafu, on the 5th day of the 5th moon.

After the death of Wut Yuen, King Wai declared war on the Tsun State but was badly defeated.

When the war was over, and in memory of Minister Wut Yuen, the people of the Chou State assembled every year on the 5th day of the 5th moon at the Pok River and cast into the waters dumplings made of rice, etc., so as to feed the fishes and prevent them from eating the body of the faithful Wut Yuen.

## HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Returns of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on May 28:—Cholera, eight cases; Diphtheria, one case; Dysentery, nine cases; Enteric Fever, two cases; Measles, two cases; Tuberculosis, 42 cases.

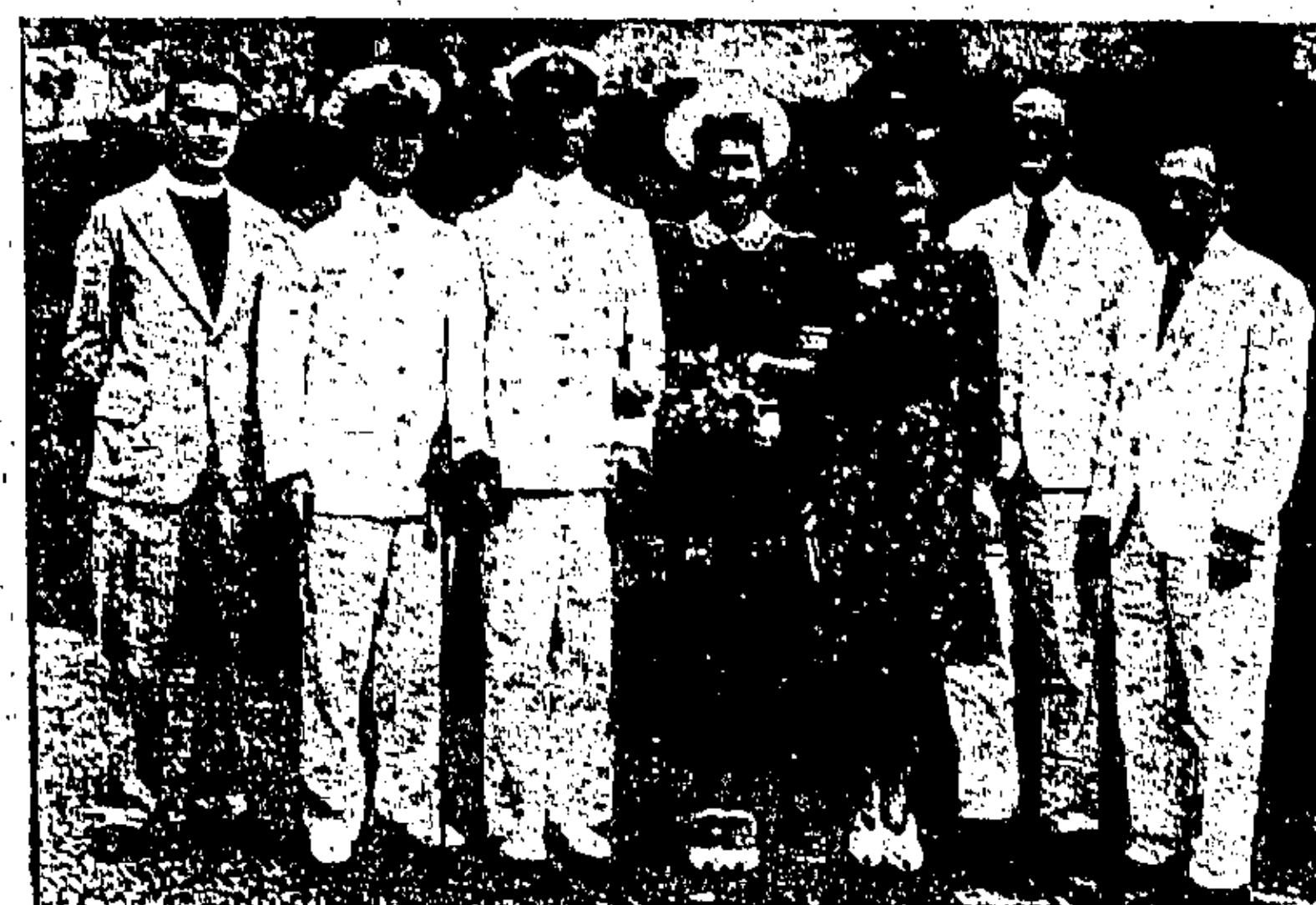
## MARINE COURT

Bail of \$10 was estreated by Commander J. Jolly yesterday in the case of a coxswain of a motor launch who did not appear to answer a charge that he had not produced his motor-launch licence when requested to do so by a police officer.

A meeting of the Hongkong Baseball League will be held at the Texas Oil Company today at 5 p.m., and not 6 p.m. as previously notified.

of the newly-proclaimed state of unlimited national emergency makes it possible for the President to do this at once. It has widened his powers to the limit for all purposes connected with production and manufacture for the defence of freedom; it has given him authority to take the most sweeping measures to mobilise the man-power and industrial resources of the country; and it has given him the discretion to use the physical strength of the country to see that those who are battling against aggression are reinforced with everything they need. These reinforcements, he is determined, shall reach the opponents of the Axis Powers and when he astutely stated that U.S. naval patrols will be extended to help the carrying of supplies across the Atlantic to Britain and her allies, he only used a nicety to imply protection for these merchant ships, in whichever direction their mission of aiding freedom should take them. In all respects, therefore, the President's speech was up to expectations. The Axis Powers themselves recognise this, perhaps more clearly than any others, as every sentence was directed at them. In the words of a Japanese comment, the President has poised his country "on the brink of war."

## WATSON-LAMMERT



Group photograph taken after the wedding between LIEUT. K. A. WATSON, H.K.R.N.V.R., and MISS FLORENCE ISOBEL LAMMERT on Wednesday. Left to right: The Rev. Cyril Brown, M.A., Lt. E. J. B. Morahan, H.K.R.N.V.R. (bestman), the bridegroom, the bride, Mrs. H. D. Bidwell (bride's sister), Mr. L. E. Lammert, sen. (bride's father) and Mr. H. D. Bidwell. (King's Studio).

Apathy In Germany: Effect  
Of Events Of Past Few  
Days On The People

"WE OFTEN TALK OF NAZI GERMANY AS THOUGH IT IS SOMETHING NEW. IT IS NOT. It is fundamentally the same as it was in the last war. This war, is for the Germans only a continuation of the last war," said MR. F. A. VOIGHT, a well-known journalist who had lived in Germany for many years as a correspondent, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the effect in Germany of the past few days.

Mr. Voight said that when the last war was over, the British looked upon it as something that was finished and settled with once and for all. The German view was that that war was not over and that the account was by no means settled, and they made preparations for a renewal of the first world war.

## PEACE PERIOD

"When we speak of the period of peace, we mean the period between the two world wars," continued Mr. Voight. "To the Germans, the period of peace is precisely that period before the first world war, I mention this, because it helps us to understand how the Germans are taking the events of the last few days—the sinking of the Bismarck and President Roosevelt's speech.

"We often speak of Nazi Germany as though it is something new. It is not. It is fundamentally the same as it was in the last war. This war, is for the Germans, on a continuation of the last war. German newspaper comments on recent events have been exactly the same as they were in the last war. The turn of each phrase is the same. There seems to be nothing changed. It seems as though there had been no peace, no revolution, no unrest, no unemployment—absolutely nothing between the two world wars.

"Let us try to sense what is in the mind of the German listening and reading public at the moment. How has that public reacted to events of the last few days? It may be somewhat presumptuous to try and do this, but we may come to conclusions that may not be very far from the truth."

## PRIDE IN FLEET

Mr. Voight said that in this war, as in the last, the Germans took a special pride in their fleet and in this war they had tried to throw down the gauntlet to their rivals, the British Fleet.

Their commentators naturally became most jubilant over the sinking of the Hood and some of them went on to explain that this showed that the British Navy was out of date and that the whole British political system was out of date. There was no depth of mind to which the German commentator would not run.

"And now how are these people affected by the sinking of the Bismarck and President Roosevelt's speech?" continued Mr. Voight. "The loss of the Bismarck was of special significance, so they say, and it was also a cause for pride. It shows, says these commentators, that the British Navy was not sure of itself. If it had been sure of itself, they continue, why was a superior force despatched to destroy one German battleship?"

Mr. Voight said that the Germans were at first silent about President Roosevelt's speech and referred to a statement which had been made by a prominent German in the last war when it was indicated that the United States might come into the war.

## CROSSING THE ATLANTIC

That German had declared that "as the American cannot fly nor swim, American cannot cross the Atlantic." Mr. Voight said that although the American could not swim the Atlantic, they had cer-

tainly shown that they could fly across the Atlantic in the present war. American aid was now coming to Britain in this way in ever increasing volume.

Herr Hitler, Mr. Voight continued, had promised the German people that the year 1941 would bring a decisive victory for Germany in the west. All the German newspapers counted on victory in the present year. Why then did the German papers try to suppress President Roosevelt's speech? Why were German readers and listeners not allowed to know what the President said?

Mr. Voight said that despite this, many Germans must have listened in to the President's speech, because, it was impossible for the German Secret Police to watch every radio set in the country. Many others would have heard about the speech, because President Roosevelt could not be silenced even in Germany. Too many Germans had been to the United States and knew the power of that country and there were many Germans now, who no doubt, would like to go to the United States.

## COUNTER-OFFENSIVE

"The counter-offensive to the President's speech in Germany is that it is not Germany, but the United States who wants to rule the world," said Mr. Voight. Some of those who will believe this will be the young Germans who have grown up in ignorance of the outside world, but there is something else we must not forget.

"All those who have watched Germany since the war began speak of the apathy amongst the German people. This apathy makes German victories seem less dazzling to the Germans and German defeats seem more significant. Therefore, the events of the past few days would have done something to shake the prestige which Herr Hitler has commanded in the country."

## NEWSETTES

Mr. E. S. Gutter, Chief Accountant of Andersen, Meyer and Co., has arrived in Hongkong.

Mr. H. L. Hollingsworth, of the National Carbon Company, Shanghai, has arrived in the Colony.

Mr. Geo. J. McCarthy, Oriental Passenger Traffic Manager of the American President Lines, Ltd., has arrived in Hongkong.

Mr. William J. O'Toole, foreign representative of the National Carbon Co., has arrived in the Colony.

Mr. A. W. Turner, General Manager of Andersen, Meyer and Co., Ltd., has arrived in the Colony.

A film show was held in aid of the Bomber Fund at the St. Andrew's Church Hall last evening.

An interesting and informative talk on "Hongkong-printed Chinese stamps" was given by Mr. W. E. Jones at the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Philatelic Society held at the board room of the S.C.M. Post last evening.



## LIFELINE STRETCHING ACROSS THE ATLANTIC WILL BE KEPT OPEN

"We know now that the lifeline stretching across the Atlantic will be kept open and in that thought lies comfort and strength," said MR. CYRIL LAKIN, Assistant Editor of the London Sunday Times, when he broadcast from Daventry on Wednesday deputising for Sir Frederick Whyte, the usual weekly commentator, in the series "London Newsletter."

Mr. Lakin, who is the well-known authority and commentator on international affairs, confined his comments to two topics—the dramatic naval battle of the Atlantic and President Roosevelt's broadcast.

"We have just listened to one of the most significant speeches of the war," said Mr. Lakin. "That may seem rather a rash generalisation, as it is a struggle in which crisis has followed upon crisis, but it would have been justified even if nothing as important had happened in the past seven days by President Roosevelt's proclamation last night of an unlimited national emergency."

Mr. Lakin said that it was now less than 24 hours since Mr. Roosevelt had spoken but that it would take many hours and days before the full implications of his speech were realised.

### SEA POWER STRESSED

"If you have listened to his broadcast you will have been impressed by the way in which the President stressed the importance of sea power," said Mr. Lakin. "He said that the Axis Powers will never attain their dream of world domination unless they get control of the seas. All his words were tied up with the freedom of the seas. They underlined every word that President Roosevelt spoke. I should like, therefore, to draw your attention to one or two aspects of these sea operations."

Mr. Lakin then went on to describe the recent events in the Battle of the Atlantic. He said that the first stage was the loss of H.M.S. Hood and the climax was the sinking of the Bismarck. For a brief moment the Germans had achieved a great naval victory and it would be unwise to try and underestimate their success or to pretend that the loss of the Hood and the loss of her officers and men was not a calamity. The people should, however, remind themselves of the fact that Lord Chatfield had told them that the Hood was destroyed because she had to fight a ship which was 22 years more modern than herself.

The loss of the Bismarck, however, had weakened the German

navy by a much greater proportion than the loss of the Hood to the British navy.

### BATTLES COMPARED

Mr. Lakin compared naval battles in the last war to naval operations in the present hostilities. The sinking of the Bismarck had shown that a battleship of her type could be hunted down and destroyed in four days whereas in the last war such an action would have taken four weeks.

"What is it that makes this possible?" continued Mr. Lakin. "The answer is air power. In conditions of the previous war the Bismarck would have been able to slip away to safety. As it was, our aircraft had been the first to give warning of her leaving the harbour of Bergen."

"Then, again, the Bismarck would have escaped to the port of Brest if it had not been for our air-scouts. Even when badly crippled she still had a chance of escaping, although our ships were closing in on her from all sides."

"Once again, air-power gave the decisive stroke when torpedo-carrying planes from the Ark Royal so damaged the Bismarck's rudder that our ships were able to overtake her and deal her the final blow. That blow was given, not by a battleship, but by the cruiser Dorchestershire."

### ANOTHER LESSON

Mr. Lakin next turned from the Battle of the Atlantic to the Battle of the Eastern Mediterranean where, he said, another lesson was being learned in the value of air-power and sea-power.

"As more details come through of the Battle of Crete we see more clearly that the German onslaught had only been made possible by her great strength in the air in that region. Germany has to thank her air superiority for the successes which she had gained. If not for this air superiority the Battle of Crete would have been over by now."

"But the issue still hangs in the balance. Thanks to our seapower we have been able to send supplies to our garrison in Crete. Mr. Churchill's pledge that Crete would be defended to the death is being fulfilled by General Freyberg's forces, and whatever the issue, the losses inflicted on Herr Hitler's highly-trained shock-troops will have a great effect on operations in the East. These Nazi losses are more vital to Germany than our losses of two cruisers and four destroyers."

"The point is that when we are as strong in the air as in the sea it will be a grim outlook, indeed, for the Axis," declared Mr. Lakin. "And this brings me back to President Roosevelt's declaration."

### BUILT IN AMERICA

"It will be remembered that the Bismarck was found by a flying-boat—a Catalina aircraft—which was built for Britain in an American factory."

"What the President has to say now means the strengthening of war production in the United States."

"The President now has powers to take over industrial plants to suspend the laws governing working hours, to take over all forms of transport and to use all sources of power in the production of munitions and also to requisition any ship."

"These are only a few of the powers now vested in the President. Those affecting finance and every other aspect of defence are no less far-reaching. I stressed the industrial side of the proclamation because it is a crucial point in building up our air strength."

"We expected his broadcast to be strong and purposeful, but few could have anticipated the vigour of last night's declaration," continued Mr. Lakin. "Already the first comments by the American Press show that the lead he has given is not too bold for his countrymen to accept. The New York papers described his speech as a masterful policy and predict that action will follow."

In conclusion, Mr. Lakin said that there were other events which have taken place during the week, such as the progress of the war in Africa, which were no less important but which had to be passed over because of the greater importance of President Roosevelt's proclamation.

## SCHMELING KILLED



LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—MAX SCHMELING, the former boxing champion, is reported to have been killed in Crete.

## Chinese War Relief Fund

### Hollywood Stars Aid In Radio Campaign

WASHINGTON, May 29 (Central)—Three famous American film stars participated in a unique nationwide radio programme on Tuesday night making a joint appeal on behalf of the United China Relief Campaign. The programme was broadcast over the Columbia Broadcast System 15 minutes before President Roosevelt's fireside chat.

Madame Chiang Kai-shek's letter of greetings to the American children who are helping to raise the Chinese War Relief Fund was read over the air by Claudette Colbert, Tyrone Power, who was master of ceremonies, appealed to the Americans for aid to China. He introduced Shirley Temple who extended greetings to the Chinese children on behalf of the American children.

### HALL JOHNSON CHOIR

The programme also featured the famous Hall Johnson negro choir which sang the Chinese marching song "Chee Tai" (Arise!) Chinese children representatives called on the American stars at the broadcasting station expressing thanks for aiding the United China Relief Campaign.

## THREE ARMED ROBBERIES

### Daring Hold-up Aboard Bus

One armed robbery in Shamshuipo district and two in the New Territories were reported to the Police yesterday, as well as an armed robbery on a junk in Chinese waters.

The first of these occurred about 1 p.m. near Tai Ling Gap, when a farmer on his way to Tai Po Tin village from Yui Long Market was held up by two armed men, both having revolvers, and robbed of a sum of \$30.

### TOY PISTOL

Four men, one armed with a revolver, another with a dagger, and the third with what appeared to be a toy pistol, held up and robbed a man named Cheung Hing-yuen, assistant manager of the California Establishment of No. 8, Wing Hing Street, in Yee Kuk Street, Shamshuipo, about 5.20 p.m. Money was taken to a total sum of about \$300.

### ON BOARD BUS

Three men who had boarded Bus No. 739, travelling between Sha-tau-ko and Fanling, held up and robbed some 17 other passengers about 6.50 p.m. yesterday. About \$400 in money and jewellery was stolen.

### JUNK ROBBERY

A robbery committed by a pirate junk near Shan Mei Creek in Chinese waters, close to Hongkong waters, was reported to the police yesterday as having occurred about noon on Tuesday. The junk, a Hongkong-registered craft, No. 2785 was sailing from Un Long to Sha Tau with a cargo of 20 bags of cotton yarn. Cargo, etc. was stolen to a total value of \$1,050.

Bus tickets Nos. 4249-4299 (5 cents), Nos. 5296-5399 (10 cents) and Nos. 2944-2999 (20 cents) were also taken.

## Heavy Fighting In All Parts Of Shansi

CHUNGKING, May 29 (Reuter)—Heavy fighting is in progress in all parts of Shansi, as Chinese forces launched simultaneous attacks on the Japanese lines of communications, according to Chinese despatches from the front.

In West Shansi, a Chinese column is said to be attacking Hsiao-yi to the south-west of Taiyuanfu. The Tungpu railway is reported to be cut at five points. Chinese forces in the Taihangshan mountains in East Shansi are stated to be attacking the Chingchen highway, demolishing nine important bridges.

At the same time, Chinese forces in North Honan are reported to be attacking Chinsien and Tangying on the Peking-Hankow railway, while south-east of Shansi, Chinese troops on the north bank of the Sin River are said to be attacking Japanese positions northwest of Kaoping, also east of the Sin River.

Fighting is also stated to be progressing in the vicinity of Chiyuan and Yangchen.

The TAKUNGPAO this morning requested the Chinese National Military Council to clarify the position of the 18th Group Army (Chinese Communist troops) and whether they were actually participating in the Shansi operations.

## RE-EXPORT OF AMERICAN GOODS FROM PHILIPPINES

SHANGHAI, May 29 (Reuter)—Regulations against the re-export of American goods from the Philippines to foreign countries have been tightened up by a new ruling which requires applications for new export licences before such re-exports can legally be made, according to an American Consulate-General announcement.

The new applications must be presented to the United States Department of State and must name the proposed countries of ultimate destination. Unless such applications are granted re-export of American goods from the Philippines would constitute a violation of the Export Control Act and Regulations, the announcement adds.

The new ruling is believed to have been specially designed against the ruse whereby goods exported from the United States to the Philippines are re-shipped from the latter point to Russia and thence to Germany.

## Talented Children Entertain

Mothers, who attended the Mothers' Day Celebration held in the Little Flower Club yesterday, were delighted to see their talented children present an entertaining programme.

Every child brought a present in token of their love for their mothers.

An interesting talk on "Mothers' Day" was given by Rev. Fr. H. de Angellis.

Those who participated in the successful programme, were: Misses Sylvia and Letty Remedios, Dolores Fernandez, Francisca Xavier, Fernandinha Rodriguez, Alice Osmund, Helen Oozio, Betty Idefonso, Angelina Lima, Belinda Xavier, Rita Marques and Domitilla Souza and Masters Filomeno, Baptista, Norman Lewis and his brother, Rene Perez and Jerry Oozio.

### FRENCH POLICE

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—According to reports which have been appearing recently in the French Press, Admiral Darian is now busy reorganising and re-equipping the French Police force, which he says will, when his measures have been completed, equal or be superior to any Police force in the world.

The Police will, according to these reports, be equipped with light cars, radio, telephones, tear-gas apparatus, new methods of circulating particulars of persons, and machinery for rapid printing of identification slips.

## NAZI ADVANCE HALTED

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—British troops on Tuesday afternoon halted an attempted German advance along a line two miles east of Solium running 30 miles southward to the desert.

The Germans yesterday did not attempt to push on. German casualties are believed to be several times greater than the British.

### ENEMY'S IDEA

Commenting on the operations at Solium, Maj. Allen Murray, in a broadcast from London last night, said: "The idea of the enemy is to embarrass us as much as possible in the Western Desert while we are so deeply engaged in Crete."

## N.Z. FINANCE SURPLUS

WELLINGTON, May 29 (Reuter)—Despite the war, New Zealand is able to close the financial year with a satisfactory surplus, declared the Finance Minister, Mr. Nash.

Public accounts for the year ended March 31 show a surplus of £1,726,000 compared with the budget estimate of £246,000.

Revenue totalled £40,438,000 and expenditure £38,712,000. Mr. Nash said that revenue was more buoyant than expected and taxation receipts greatly exceeded expectations.

## JAPAN AND AXIS

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Minister of New Zealand told Reuter.

### EXTRA EDITIONS

CHUNGKING, May 29 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt's broadcast was splashed in all Chinese papers some of which were even published in extra editions yesterday afternoon—a rare occurrence.

All carried leading articles this morning unanimously welcoming President Roosevelt's firm determination to support the democracies in their struggle against aggression.

### NO NECESSITY

TOKYO, May 29 (Reuter)—"I do not like to comment on President Roosevelt's fireside chat nor do I see any necessity to do so," said the Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsukata, this afternoon, when replying to a question in an interview with Japanese newspapermen.

## PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY

The Directors will recommend the following allocation of profits for the year ended April 30, 1941, at the forthcoming Annual Meeting of Shareholders:—

Pay a dividend of 5 per cent. on 25,000 shares Fully Paid up, \$12,500; Pay a dividend of 5 per cent. on 50,000 shares \$5 Paid up, \$12,500; And carry forward, \$22,251.14. Total: \$47,251.14.

## NAZI FREIGHTER INTERCEPTED

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—The Admiralty announced that a British warship has intercepted the German freighter LECH of 3,200 tons, while on her way from a South American port to a port in occupied France.

## WEDDING AT REGISTRY

At the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday Miss Ng Wai-wan, of No. 52, High Street, first floor, was married to Mr. Hui Ching, merchant, of No. 282, Portland Street, by Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar, officiated at the ceremony.

VICHY, May 29 (Reuter)—It is alleged that British planes attacked the Tunisian port of Sfax when an Italian cargo-ship they had damaged took refuge in the port. Another Italian cargo-ship was attacked and damaged outside the port.



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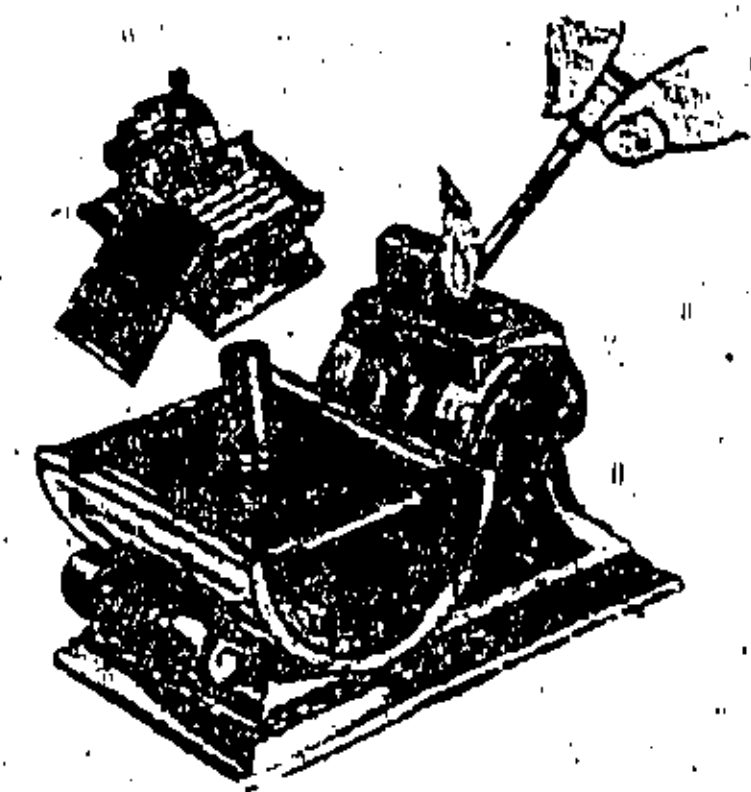


WORLD'S GREATEST LIGHTER

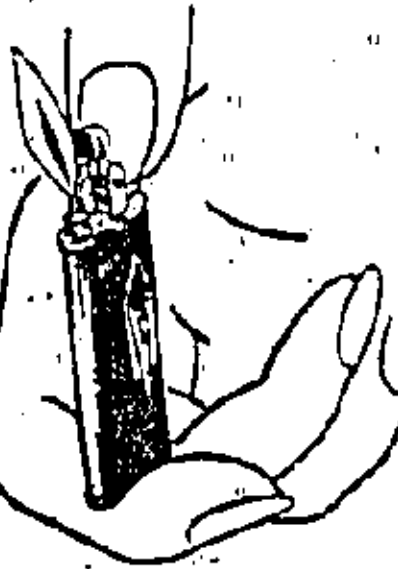


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IDEAL TO GIVE



NEW SHIPMENT JUST ARRIVED



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GROUND FLOOR

## General Chan Cheng On Hupeh Administration

ENSHIH, Hupeh Province.—The primary duty of the provincial administration of Hupeh is the enforcement of the new district autonomy system in every HSIEN of the province, declared General Chen Cheng, governor and concurrently Commander-in-Chief of the central Hupeh and western Hunan war areas.

Despite the spread of the war to central Hupeh, it is possible to install the new administrative system in all counties of the province, except a few under complete enemy occupation, added the governor. Although half of the 81 hsien in Hupeh have become war or penetrated areas, most of their local governments continue to function, in the country or in neighbouring districts.

The period for the complete enforcement of the district autonomy system has been shortened to two years beginning 1941. The system is gaining headway in Enshih and Yunhsien. Efforts are being made to introduce it in every county so that by the end of 1942 Hupeh Province will have a brand new form of local government based on the Three People's Principles.

"EDUCATION YEAR" Almost as important as the enforcement of the new administrative system is the educational reconstruction of Hupeh, continued Governor Chen. The year 1941 has been chosen as "Education Year." New Hupeh has started on a completely new form of education whereby students are trained only to the extent they are needed by society. Because some regions of the province are barren, an agricultural college has been set up whose graduates will help develop farming.

Because of an acute shortage of teachers in primary and middle schools, a teachers' college will emphasize social, rural, musical, and physical education. From college down to primary school, all students' expenses, including tuition, board and uniforms, are paid by the provincial government.

In economic reconstruction, the provincial government stresses hydraulic engineering, farm irrigation, reforestation, and, above all, intensive modern farming to increase food crops. Attention is given to the improvement of caravans routes between Hupeh and neighbouring provinces.

The new district autonomy system was introduced in Enshih in September, 1940.—(C.I.C.)

### CHESS RESULTS

Two games in the Colony Junior Chess Championship Tournament were completed last night. A. Y. Blirukoff winning from A. Morton and To Yu-lau from J. H. d'Almeida.

### DRIFTING MINE

A drifting mine has been reported north of Tung Kwo Island and another south-east of Black Point, states a Harbour Office notice to mariners.

### OOTACAMUND, May 29 (Reuter)

As a result of the rainy weather, there has been a dislocation of railway services in Malabar. The railway between Shoranur and Calicut is damaged in several places and trains derailed on either side. The monsoon this year started earlier in Malabar.

### BUENOS AIRES, May 29 (Reuter)

A group of 10 deputies is requested by the Minister of Interior to be present at the Congress session on June 4 to testify in connection with the activities of the Transocean News Agency and measures the police have taken to counteract Nazi propaganda.

Miss I. Hassler, of the War Memorial Hospital, has reported the loss of a gold wrist watch, valued at \$100, in the Parisian Grill on Sunday night.



## LAMMERTS AUCTIONS

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

Original Jurisdiction.

Action No. 26 of 1941.

BETWEEN

Cheung Hiu Tong Plaintiff

and

Yiu Yuen Defendant

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

The Defendant's equity of redemption in the valuable leasehold property situated at Mongkoktsui in the Dependency of Kowloon in the Colony of Hong Kong and registered in the Land Office in the name of Yiu Yuen as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3009 and known as No. 165 Fa Yuen Street.

To be sold by Order of the Court made in the above action

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of JUNE, 1941

at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon

by

Messrs. LAMMERT BROTHERS, Auctioneers

at their Sales Room, No. 2, Connaught Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong.

The property consists of the right title and interest of Yiu Yuen in all that piece or parcel of ground situated at Mongkoktsui in the Dependency of Kowloon in the Colony of Hong Kong and known and registered in the Land Office as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3009 with the mortgage covenants and buildings thereon known as No. 165, Fa Yuen Street. Subject to a Mortgage dated the 5th day of September, 1940 and made between Yiu Yuen of the one part and Luen On Fire & Marine Insurance Co., Ltd. of the other part and registered in the Land Office by Memorial No. 166878 to secure the principal sum of \$8,000 and interest thereon at the rate of 7 per cent. per Chinese lunar month.

This property is held under a Crown Lease dated the 24th day of December, 1933 for the term of 75 years renewable for 75 years commencing on the 4th day of August, 1931.

Area 1,049 square feet or thereabout.

Annual Crown Rent \$20.00.

For further particulars apply to—

Messrs. D'ALMADA REMEDIOS & CO.,

Solicitors for the Plaintiff,

or to

Messrs. LAMMERT BROTHERS, Auctioneers,

Hong Kong, the 27th day of May, 1941.

## LAMMERTS AUCTIONS

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2 Tientsin Carpets (almost new)

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On View from Thursday, the 29th May, 1941.

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## CASTLE PEAK ROAD MOTOR ACCIDENT

Attempting to avoid a head-on collision with another car, the driver of private car No. 4388 crashed onto the hillside and damaged the car.

According to a report made by the driver, Wong King-cheung, residing at No. 388, Leichikok Road, Wong stated that about 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday whilst he was driving along Castle Peak Road, near the 11-mile stone, another private car, No. 493, overtaking a bus from the opposite direction, forced him to swerve into the hillside.

The following telegrams are lying at the office of Messrs. Cable and Wireless, Ltd., awaiting claimants:—Kinich, Arlington Hotel, from Rangoon; Kinich Arlington Hotel, from Rangoon.

## \$12 MILLION REVENUE ON RECONSTITUTED TAX

## Allowances For Families Revised By Committee

## REPEAL OF WAR REVENUE ORD.

Total revenue will be \$12,200,000 a year instead of \$11,000,000 at present estimated according to increased basic rates, and including revenue from Interest Tax (on loans and mortgages), a new imposition, as contained in the Report of the Reconstituted War Revenue Committee tabled in Legislative Council yesterday afternoon.

The Committee recommend an increase in the basic rates of Salaries, Business Profits, Property, Corporations Profits and Interest Taxes, from 5 per cent. and 10 per cent. to 6 per cent. and 12 per cent. respectively.

An important recommendation is that, because of the rise in the cost of living some relief should be afforded to those payers of Salaries Tax who have wives and children. There, it is proposed that the allowances for families be revised and that in future the allowance for a wife should be \$3,000 instead of \$2,000 as at present, \$2,000 for the first child, \$1,000 for the second and \$500 each for the third and fourth children, as compared with a flat rate of \$1,000 for each child up to and including the fourth as at the present time.

The essential parts of the Committee's report are in part:

Our examination of the existing measures of War Taxation, was governed by three main considerations:—

(a) We were informed by the Financial Secretary that owing to defence measures which had been taken since the Budget for 1941-42 was framed or which were likely to be taken in the near future, the Colony's war expenditure during the present financial year would amount to considerably more than the sum of \$12,300,000 shown in the printed Estimates. This additional war expenditure was likely to be of the order of \$5,500,000.

Allowing for an estimated yield in 1941-42 of \$9,300,000 from War Taxation on its present basis and a net surplus of revenue over expenditure for the financial year 1940-41 amounting to \$3,000,000 which could be carried forward into 1941-42, it was desirable to raise additional revenue to the extent of some five million dollars by modifying the existing War Taxes or by imposing new ones or by a combination of both methods.

(b) From the relatively small number of firms paying Business Profits Tax and the fact that up to March 31, 1941, the net amount charged in respect of Business Profits Tax was only \$1,078,000 as compared with \$4,531,000 in respect of Corporation Profits Tax it was evident that a large section of the business community was not bearing its fair share of the Colony's war-time burden.

(c) One year's experience of the working of the present Ordinance had disclosed inequities which it was desirable to smooth out and loopholes for evasion which it was desirable to close.

## NO INCOME TAX

To reduce the possibilities of evasion and ensure equal incidence we first considered the advisability of recommending the complete repeal of the present War Revenue Ordinance and the substitution therefore of a full Income Tax enactment; we decided, however, by a majority that in view of the opposition which the suggestion to introduce Income Tax had called forth in 1939 we would re-affirm in this regard the recommendation of the original War Revenue Committee. We decided to appoint a Sub-Committee composed of Mr. A. G. Clarke (Chairman), Mr. H. M. Bryden, Mr. L. Kadoorie and Mr. C. van Langenberg to examine in detail the present War Revenue Ordinance with a view to smoothing out its inequities and increasing the yield from War Taxation. This Sub-Committee held twelve meetings and presented a most

comprehensive report which was gratefully adopted by the full Committee and which formed the basis for our conclusions and recommendations. Our conclusions have been incorporated in a draft War Revenue Bill which is attached to this Report as an Appendix.

## INTEREST TAX

We felt that the charge of inequitable incidence could not be avoided unless we devised some means of taxing the one broad source of unearned income at present untaxed—namely, interest on loans and mortgages. We have therefore devised a scheme for the taxation of certain classes of interest which we have included in the draft Bill under a new Chapter entitled "Interest Tax." This tax is practically limited to interest on mortgages, bills of sale, debentures and loans made to corporations or firms who are liable to Profits Tax; we found that the yield to be expected from taxing interest on bank fixed deposits, savings bank accounts, etc., would be too small in relation to the cost and trouble of administration to the banks concerned.

With a view to increasing the yield from Business Profits Tax we considered that the exemption limit should be reduced from \$10,000 to \$5,000 and that the limit for the lower rate of taxation should be reduced from \$100,000 to \$50,000. The reduction of the exemption limit would greatly increase the number of firms paying this tax and would minimise the incentive to the splitting of businesses.

We considered the question of whether a loss by a business or corporation in one year should be set off against profits in succeeding years but in view of the temporary nature of the Ordinance and the urgent need for revenue we have not recommended such a provision. For similar reasons, we consider any provision for depreciation in respect of the expiry of leases to be undesirable. We have not recommended that payments such as charitable contributions and donations to war funds or expenses incurred in connexion with Air Raid Precaution measures should be exempted from Profits Tax.

## ALLOWANCES INCREASE

We came to the conclusion that in view of the rise in the cost of living some relief should be afforded to those payers of Salaries Tax who have wives and children. With this object we have recommended that the scale of allowances for a wife and children should be revised as follows:—

	Now	Recommended
Wife	\$2,000	\$3,000
1st child	\$1,000	\$2,000
2nd child	\$1,000	\$1,000
3rd child	\$1,000	\$500
4th child	\$1,000	\$500

We consider, however, that no allowance should be made for children in excess of four, or for dependent relatives. At the same time we have recommended that the lower rate of Salaries Tax be brought into line with the lower rates of the other War Taxes.

## BILLS PASSED BY COUNCIL

A Bill to provide for the issue by the Financial Secretary of one-cent legal tender currency notes was passed at the meeting at the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon as was a Bill to amend the Prevention of Eviction Consolidation and Amendment Ordinance, 1939.

A Bill to amend the Buildings Ordinance, 1935, was read a first time.

The reports of the Finance Committee (No. 13 of 1940-41) and (No. 1 of 1941-42), dated May 22, 1941, were adopted.

The Council was adjourned sine die.

## THOSE PRESENT

Present at the meeting were His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote (President), H. E. Major-General A. E. Grasset, Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith), Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster), Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North), Financial Secretary (Hon. Mr. R. R. Todd), Director of Medical Services (Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke), Director of Public Works (Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves), Chairman of the Urban Council (Hon. Mr. W. J. Carle), Commissioner of Police (Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans), Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, jun., Hon. Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong and Mr. C. Bramah Burgess (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

above would bring in a further \$1,570,000 raising the total to \$10,870,000. Since data collected by the War Taxation Department indicate that profits generally have risen it is not unreasonable to put the total yield at the round figure of \$11,000,000. This sum, however, falls considerably short of the amount which the Financial Secretary had advised was necessary, and we had next to consider how additional revenue could best be found.

## HIGHER BASIC RATES

We came to the conclusion that the extra amount required could best be obtained not by the imposition of new miscellaneous taxes, the yield from each of which would be comparatively small, but by raising the basic rates of all five war taxes. On basis of 5% and 10% the estimated yield was \$11,000,000 so that raising the basic rates to 6% and 12% would produce an additional one-fifth or two-fifths of \$4,400,000.

Rates	Estimate
5% and 10%	\$11,000,000
6% and 12%	\$13,200,000
7% and 14%	\$15,400,000

The first alternative (6% and 12%) would produce rather less and the second alternative (7% and 14%) rather more than the additional sum which the Financial Secretary had advised it was necessary to find; taking into consideration the healthy state of the Colony's surplus balances and the estimated annual yield of at least half a million dollars from the recently imposed duty on Toilet Preparations we finally decided to recommend that the basic rates be raised to 6% and 12%. The estimated yield at the old and new basic rates can be set out in detail as follows:—

	At 5%	At 6%	At 10%	At 12%
Salaries Tax	1,300,000	1,440,000	1,440,000	1,440,000
Property Tax	2,300,000	2,760,000	2,760,000	2,760,000
Corporations Profits Tax	4,700,000	5,640,000	5,640,000	5,640,000
Business Profits Tax	1,800,000	2,160,000	2,160,000	2,160,000
Interest Tax	1,000,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000
	11,000,000	13,200,000	13,200,000	13,200,000

## CONCLUSION

We recommend that the War Revenue Ordinance, 1940, be repealed and replaced.

The draft Bill includes a provision that all matters pertaining to the year of assessment which ended on March 31, 1941, shall be dealt with under the present Ordinance.

In conclusion we should like to express our indebtedness to Mr. E. M. A. Barnett, the Secretary to the Committee, who has kept full minutes of our meetings and who prepared the first draft of our Report.

(Signed) C. G. Alabaster (Chairman), R. R. Todd, Stanley H. Dodwell, J. J. Paterson, M. K. Lo, Li Tse-fong, W. N. T. Tam, V. M. Grayburn, D. J. Goss, R. Robertson, L. Kadoorie, Ng Chak-wo, A. G. Clarke, Cyril van Langenberg and Leo d'Almada e Castro, Jnr.

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## Meeting Of The Equitable Rice Sales Fund Committee

THE THIRD MEETING OF THE EQUITABLE RICE SALES FUND COMMITTEE was held at Medical Headquarters on May 26 and among those present were Rev. W. H. Alton, Mr. T. Y. Fung, Mr. Kwok Mok-hoi, Mr. C. N. Li, Mr. C. C. Liao, Mr. G. Luning, Mr. Wong Quincey, Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, Mr. Young Tsun-dart and Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke in the Chair.

The Minutes of the Second Meeting held on May 19, which had been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed.

## REPORT OF DIRECTOR

At the invitation of the Chairman, the Director gave his report for the second week's operation. Sales of Grade A rice at \$14.80 per picul had amounted to 289 bags (and 100 lbs.) and had realised \$6,778.80, while some 160 bags (and 196 lbs.) of Grade B rice had resulted in \$3,620.40 at \$14 per picul, making a total of \$10,399.20 cash received.

Expenses amounted to \$10,399.50 in repayment to Government for the rice purchased, \$40 for transport and \$114.74 for personnel and sundry expenses making a total of \$10,554.24. The balance from the second week's working thus amounted to \$309.36. In addition there were about 800 empty bags to dispose of.

## FALL IN SALES

Although the sales had fallen off considerably, it was unanimously agreed that the operations should be continued as a hint to retailers. The Rice Controller (Mr. F. C. Barry) had advised this course.

The Chairman congratulated Mr. Fung for the successful efforts of the Tung Wah Committee at the Central Market Equitable Rice Sales Depot, Mr. Liao for similar efforts by the Hongkong Red Swastika Society at the wanchai Market Depot and Mr. Li, Senior Camp Overseer, Medical Department, first at Jordan Road Depot, and since Monday morning, at the Tin Hau Temple, Yau-mat, by courtesy of the Tung Wah Committee.

## RICE DEPOTS

The Chairman reported that as the result of a survey of retail shops in the Sai Ying Pun District which has shown that the dealers were selling rice at Government rates and of good quality, he had consulted the Director and they had arranged for the opening of a rice depot in the area to be postponed. Mr. Kwok undertook to keep a look-out on the local situation.

Discussion took place in regard to the opening of a depot in Hung Hom, Kowloon City and Kowloon Tong where Mgr. Bishop Valtorta had kindly offered premises.

In the absence of enough voluntary supervision in these areas, two of which were rather removed from centres of poorer inhabitants, it was decided not to take advantage of these offers yet.

Mr. Young Tsun Dart informed the meeting that Mr. Ngan Keng Ho of 103, Fuk Wah Street, had generously offered the use of the Pei Ho Theatre in Shamshuipo as a rice depot. It was decided to open a depot here if the need arose, possibly by closing that recently established by Yau-mat.

## SALE OF COOKED RICE

The Chairman placed before the meeting a proposal for the sale of

cooked rice on an experimental basis at Wanchai using oil burners. Mr. Murdoch had kindly investigated the question of oil fuel and the object of the project was to introduce communal cooking in "peace time" to effect a saving in wood fuel and the shipping needed to bring it to the Colony.

Dr. Selwyn-Clarke was authorised by the Committee to negotiate with the Food Controller with a view to ascertaining whether he would be prepared to finance the capital expenditure on such an experiment. The Committee meeting the cost of rice, etc., from any surplus balance remaining from sales of rice.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting until 4 p.m. on Monday, June 2.

## U.S. People Getting Taller

NEW YORK.—If the American people, on the average, are getting taller, as some studies seem to indicate, there may be need for changes in design of things that are used by everyone.

The idea that there may be "giant's ahead" in the American future—at least greater height with each succeeding generation—intrigues the economists and engineers connected with Arthur D. Little, Inc., whose business it is to help industry anticipate the future.

Need for adjustment in architecture and furnishings are foreseen. Chairs, especially in theatres, will be proportioned for longer legs. Automobiles are already making allowances for taller people. The standard bed will have to be lengthened. Clothing manufacturers may rearrange their size-distribution tables.

Evidence that the still unstable American population is getting taller with each succeeding generation comes largely from studies in universities.

A study of Harvard students whose ancestors have been in America for at least two generations indicates a gradual and regular increase of one inch per generation for four generations. Wellesley and other colleges furnish similar figures for girls.

The cause of the growth is somewhat puzzling, and in the opinion of those who have studied the problem, cannot be assigned to any one factor.

## Salesman Fails In Appeal Against Death Sentence

Sentenced to death by the Chief Justice, Sir Athol MacGregor, at the February Criminal Sessions, HO SUNG-HEI, 23, salesman of the Chun Hwa Book Company, brought an application before the Full Court of Appeal, comprising of the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice P.E. Cressall) and Mr. Justice E.H. Williams, for leave to appeal against conviction.

He was found guilty of the murder of a fellow-employee, Wong-chiu, at the company's godown, No. 3, Gilman's Bazaar, on Dec. 5 last year.

He was defended by Mr. Somers Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. J. Hall.

Appellant yesterday was represented by Mr. Lo Tung-fan, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall, and Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, appeared for the Crown.

## ADJOURNMENT SOUGHT

Mr. Lo asked for four weeks on the ground that the appellant wished to call the evidence of his brother-in-law in whose company he was at all material times on the night of Dec. 5.

Mr. Lo added that several letters had been written to the sister in Shanghai in an effort to trace the whereabouts of the brother-in-law but no reply had been received.

Mr. Justice Cressall said the evidence Mr. Lo proposed to call was not new as it was in existence at the time of the trial.

Refusing the adjournment Mr. Justice Cressall remarked that the present Court was of the decided opinion that the case was not a

proper one in which an adjournment should be granted and allow new evidence to be put forward.

Regarding the appeal against conviction, Mr. Lo reviewed the evidence adduced by the Crown who based its case on circumstantial evidence. He submitted that there was insufficient evidence to convict and that the defence raised, had not been properly put to the jury.

## JUDGE'S RULING

Dismissing the application and, addressing the appellant, Mr. Justice Cressall said:—

"Your Counsel has based his arguments on the ground that there was not sufficient evidence to convict you of this crime. You have therefore, through him asked for leave to appeal against your conviction. Your Counsel has stressed the point that the evidence was purely circumstantial—that no one actually saw you commit the crime.

"May we remind you that, in many cases, circumstantial evidence is even better than direct evidence" because "circumstances cannot lie." We have read the re-

cord of the proceedings and the summing-up of the trial Judge.

"In the result we have no hesitation in saying that there was ample evidence before the jury, which they believed they were justified in accepting, and returning the verdict they did.

"As reference has also been made to the summing-up of the trial Judge, we desire to say that the summing-up was a perfect model of fairness to the accused. This Court says there is absolutely no merit in your application for leave to appeal, which is dismissed."



## NAVY, R.A.F. TAKE HEAVY TOLL OF ENEMY SHIPPING

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter).—Five armed trawlers were escorting a German supply ship of approximately 5,000 tons which was struck twice by heavy bombs dropped by an R.A.F. Coastal Command aircraft off Brest yesterday.

## East African Operations Awards

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter).—In recognition of the recent successful operations in East Africa, His Majesty the King has ordered the following promotions in and appointments of the Order of the Bath:

To Knights Commander—Lieut. General Alan Gordon Cunningham (brother of Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham) and Major-General William Platt.

To Companions of the Order of the Bath—Major-General Alfred Reade Godwin-Austen, Colonel Harry Edward de Robillard Wetherall and Brigadier-General George Edwin Brink, of the South African Staff Corps.

To Knight Commander of the British Empire—Major-General Lewis Maclesfield Heath of the Indian Army.

## Hitler A Zoological Monstrosity

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter).—Hitler is a zoological monstrosity according to Professor Gerbrandt, Prime Minister of the Netherlands.

Speaking in London yesterday the Professor described Hitler as "this creature which combines the strength of the rhinoceros, the poison fangs of the snake and the stench of a polecat... inspires only loathing and disgust because it clutches with dishonest hands at the tree of life planted in our Christian civilisation."

## China Campaign Committee Continues Work

Despite the terrific sufferings in England from Nazi blitz bombings, work of the China Campaign Committee, London, has never been interrupted, according to a letter received by the China Defence League from Miss Dorothy Woodman, National Secretary of the Committee.

After describing the conditions in London and elsewhere as a result of the ruthless German air attacks, the letter proceeds as follows:

"Yet we have never been interrupted in our work, or rather, we have never allowed these things to influence us. People have responded accordingly. Our bazaar, by the way, was the best we've held. £240 net profit—an excellent result for which our Socialist committee must have all the credit because they were not deterred by any pessimistic hints that people wouldn't buy. Our Burma Road campaign was quite a spectacular success."

"It showed that there is a real China-conscious public opinion in this country which can be trusted to respond at all times to our lead. The agitation on the matter surprised many members of Parlia-

The supply ship was left listing and settling down after the pilot of the British plane estimated that his second salvo "torpedoed" the ship below the water-line.

All the armed trawlers opened fire but the aircraft was hit only twice.

## STEADY TOLL

The steady toll which the Royal Navy is taking of enemy troops and supplies bound for the Western Desert theatre of war is augmented by the sinking of an 18,000-ton liner and other vessels, announced yesterday's Admiralty communiqué.

In addition to the destroyer transferred to the communiqué of May 23, this communiqué also stated that a troopship of about 9,000 tons, a 7,000-ton tanker and a very large ammunition schooner had been sunk, while a smaller schooner had been shelled and hit several times.

## SUPPORT NEW LIFE MOVEMENT

New Life associations have been formed by Chinese women in nine American cities, namely San Francisco, Seattle, Chicago, New York, Washington, Los Angeles, Baltimore, Portland and Sacramento, plus one chapter for New England under the sponsorship of the Women's Advisory Committee of the New Life Movement.

This information was brought back by Miss Ng Mun-chi, principal of the Mini Fong School for girls, who was commissioned by Madame Chiang Kai shek to the United States to organise the Chinese women in America. After a two-year stay abroad, Miss Ng has returned to Chungking to report to Madame Chiang and to bring greetings to her fellow Chinese women in 15 states. (Central News).

## Anglo-Nord Agreement

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter).—Determination to prosecute the war to a successful conclusion was affirmed in the Anglo-Norwegian agreement concerning the organisation and employment of Norwegian armed forces in the United Kingdom which was signed yesterday by the British and Norwegian Foreign Ministers.

The two Governments agreed that one of the objects of the war is the re-establishment of the freedom and independence of Norway through its complete liberation from German domination.

They recognise the importance in their common interest of maintaining the armed forces of Norway and have agreed on the principles on which these armed forces will be organised for co-operation with the Allied armed forces.

## CIGARETTE BUTTS CAUSE OF FIRE

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter).—A verdict of accidental death was returned at the inquest yesterday on the victims of a fire on the train in which boys from Ampleforth College Catholic School, including the two sons of the Belgian Prime Minister, M. Pierlot, lost their lives.

The Coroner said he came to the conclusion that the fire was started through lighted matches and cigarette ends being thrown about in fun and mischief by the boys, but he did not attach blame to any of them.

## WAR-SURROUNDED SWITZERLAND SEEKS DURANCE UNTIL PEACE

BERNE, Switzerland.—This tiny democracy—virtually isolated by warring nations on all sides—is reshaping its entire economic structure in an attempt to "hold out" until peace once again opens up normal markets.

To make up for increasing shortages of food, a two-part plan has been evoked.

The first part calls for immediate cultivation of 50,000 hectares (about 123,500 acres) of land for grain and potatoes for the spring of 1941. The second part of the plan is to bring every possible square foot of land under cultivation until the war ends.

## WORK BEGINS

Factory workers, school children and office workers are being harnessed to the task. Playgrounds, flower gardens, parks and mountain slopes are being brought under the plow.

All raw materials possible will be produced in Switzerland. Coal veins which have been idle since the last war and before are being worked again. All reserves of raw materials and all that are still obtainable from abroad will be set aside for the most vital industries.

## CHILDREN HELP

Economy is being practiced as never before. School children save every scrap of silver paper and go from house to house collecting old newspapers. It is estimated that if one person saved 10 grams of foodstuff, each day it would mean a daily saving of four and a half freight cars full and a yearly saving of 1,640 freight cars full.

Old rusty nails, preserve cans and metal tubes and table scraps are carefully collected.

The expected decrease in industrial production due to raw material shortage will be balanced by the increased production in agriculture, so that the many

workers who will lose their jobs in the factories can be employed in the fields. This will require a large measure of adaptation on the part of the individual.

## MANY OBSTACLES

The obstacles which confront the drive for self-sufficiency are manifold. For Switzerland is poorly endowed by nature in food and raw materials.

A considerable part of the republic's foodstuffs for man and beast are in normal times imported. Industries are also to a large extent dependent on imports from abroad.

The few coal veins in the Alps are far from enough to fill home needs. Iron mines in Gonen and the Fricktal are inadequate, too.

Metals such as copper, nickel and tin are completely lacking. Mineral oils have to be imported from abroad, as do cotton and wool for textile industries.

## BLOCKADES RESPONSIBLE

Many of these goods are completely cut off by the blockades or—as in the case of Rumanian oil—can only be bought in competition with more powerful nations.

Transportation difficulties make even the small quantities available for purchase hard to bring home.

River traffic on the upper Rhine, which in peace-time brought grain and coal to Switzerland, has for technical reasons not been continued despite the armistice with France. Switzerland, has for technical reasons not been continued despite the armistice with France. Switzerland has no freight ships on the Danube.

## SHORTAGES IN EUROPE

All Europe is short of rolling stock, that few countries will transport goods bought by Switzerland, as is customary in normal times. Switzerland must go and get everything with its own rolling stock. Much rolling stock is required to transport goods that formerly went by the water route—such as coal from Germany.

Sometimes rail traffic is delayed because of sabotage or bombing of railway facilities. The bombing of Zurich and Basel held up railway traffic for several days. Destruction by saboteurs of the bridge between Geneva and Lyons held up traffic for weeks.

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## U.S. CONTROL OF THE DOLLAR

TOKYO, May 29 (Reuter).—Exchange bankers here anticipate greater control over the Dollar and Foreign Exchange by the United States under the proclamation of a national emergency made by President Roosevelt on Tuesday but minimise its probable effect on Japan's principal items of trade with the United States, says a Japanese report.

Japan's principal products of trade with the United States are raw silk exports and cotton imports.

## H.K. Stock Exchange

## BUYERS

H. K. Fire Ins. \$178.  
Indo-Chinas (Pref.) \$80.  
Providents, \$5.  
Hotels, \$2.85.  
Trams, \$15.80.  
Lights (O), \$5.70.  
Macao Electric, \$18.65.  
Entertainments, \$6.25.

## SALES

Humphreys, \$3.40.  
Electric Rts. \$11.

## HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Thursday, May 29, 1941

## SALES

China Lights (Old) 833 - \$ 5.774  
Cements 500 13.50  
Tramways 100 15.90

1433

The total value is \$13,150.574.

## HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE. SHAREBROKERS ASSOCIATION

THURSDAY 29 MAY.				THURSDAY 29 MAY.			
Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
<b>Banks</b>							
...	...	...	\$1312 1/2	H.K. Banks	...	...	\$1310
...	...	...	27 1/2	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	27 1/2
...	...	...	27 1/2	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...	...	27 1/2
...	...	...	2 1/2	Chartered Banks	...	...	2 1/2
...	...	...	2 1/2	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	2 1/2
...	...	...	2 1/2	Mercantile Bks. "C"	...	...	2 1/2
...	...	...	2 1/2	Bank of East Asia	...	...	2 1/2
...	...	...	2 1/2	N. C. & S. Banks	16 ct.	...	...
...	...	...	...	<b>Insurance</b>			
...	...	...	...	Canton Insurance	...	...	\$320
...	...	...	...	Union Insurance	...	...	\$405
...	...	...	...	Underwriters	75 cts	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Fire	...	...	\$176
...	...	...	...	<b>Shipping</b>			
...	...	...	...	Douglases	...	...	\$117 1/2
...	...	...	...	Steamboats	...	...	\$77 1/2
...	...	...	...	Indo-Chinas (Prof.)	...	...	\$80
...	...	...	...	Indo-Chinas (Def.)	...	...	\$80
...	...	...	...	Shells	...	...	40/7 1/2
...	...	...	...	Waterboats	...	...	\$6 1/2
...	...	...	...	<b>Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.</b>			
...	...	...	...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	\$56 1/2
...	...	...	...	Provident	...	...	\$14.80
...	...	...	...	H.K. Docks (Old)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Docks (New)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shanghai Docks	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Mining	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Kailans	...	...	11/0
...	...	...	...	Rauhs	...	...	\$8
...	...	...	...	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	<b>Lands, Hotels and Buildings</b>			
...	...	...	...	H.K. & S. Hotels	\$2.85	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Lands	\$31	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	\$97 1/2
...	...	...	...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	\$2.70
...	...	...	...	H.K. Realities	...	...	\$6.40
...	...	...	...	Humphreys	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Ewo (S.)	...	...	\$33 1/2
...	...	...	...	Shai Cottons (S.)	...	...	\$235
...	...	...	...	Zoong Sings (S.)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	<b>Public Utilities</b>			
...	...	...	...	H.K. Tramways	...	...	\$15.90
...	...	...	...	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	\$7 1/2
...	...	...	...	Peak Trams (new)	...	...	\$7 1/2
...	...	...	...	Star Ferries	...	...	\$50
...	...	...	...	Y'mai Ferries	...	...	\$20 1/2
...	...	...	...	China Lights (O)	\$5.70	...	...
...	...	...	...	China Lights (New)	\$1.20	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Electric (Old)	X.R.	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Electric (New)	...	...	\$22.05
...	...	...	...	H.K. Electric (Rts)	...	...	\$11
...	...	...	...	Macao Electric	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Macao Electric	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Telephones (old)	...	...	\$22.30
...	...	...	...	Telephones (new)	...	...	\$3
...	...	...	...	<b>Industrials</b>			
...	...	...	...	Cald. Macg. (Ord.) 8	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Cald. Macg. (Prof.) 8	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Canton Ice	...	...	75 cts
...	...	...	...	Cements	...	...	\$12 1/2
...	...	...	...	H.K. Govt. Loans	...	...	\$7
...	...	...	...	4% Loan	...	...	97 1/2
...	...	...	...	3 1/2% (1934)	...	...	94 1/2
...	...	...	...	3 1/2% (1940)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
...	...	...	...	Dairy Farms	...	...	\$17 1/2
...	...	...	...	Entertainments	...	...	\$6 1/2
...	...	...	...	Constructions (old)	...	...	\$1.65
...	...	...	...	Constructions (new)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Lana Crawford	...	...	\$7 1/2
...	...	...	...	Nanyang Tobacco	\$3.80	...	...
...	...	...	...	Sinceres	\$2.30	...	...
...	...	...	...	Watsons	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Ch. G. G. 1925 G. T. H.	...	...	\$2
...	...	...	...	H.K. Wing On	...	...	\$42
...	...	...	...	Shai Wing On	...	...	\$14
...	...	...	...	Vibra Piling	...	...	\$6 1/2
...	...	...	...	Maramans Inv. (Lon)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	2 1/2% Maramans Inv. (H.K.)	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Wm. Powells	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Lights Rts	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	†Sale to Shanghai	...	...	...

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## Reclamation Centre For Panama-Returned Chinese

For the relief of Chinese forced to return here from Panama owing to the restrictive measures enforced in that country, the Kwangtung Provincial Government is planning to mark off Yanfa, near Kukong, as a reclamation centre for them, according to word received from Kwangtung.

As a preliminary step, the Panama-returned Chinese will be registered, after which representatives will be despatched by them to the designated area to make an investigation of the soil and climate.

So far more than 200 Chinese have returned here from Panama. Except a few who have some savings, the rest are in a pitiable plight. Another batch of 140 is expected to return here by the President Cleveland in the next few days.

A tea reception to a part of these overseas Chinese was given by Mr. Tseng Hsiao-feng, representative of General Li Hon-wan, Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, at the Kin Kwok Restaurant. (Central News).

## AWARD FUND FOR INVENTIONS

The Ministry of Education has set aside \$100,000 (Chinese currency) as an award fund for distinguished writings, scientific inventions and artistic achievements.

Candidates for prizes will be recommended by the Ministry or the Academic Examination Committee. Writers, inventors and artists may also apply.

Applications must be submitted before the end of October for the current year and the end of June every year beginning 1942. Each prize will be between \$2,000 and \$10,000. (Central News).



## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS MAY 29, 1941.

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer. 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months sight	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand..... 440	
On Singapore:—	
On demand..... 62 3/4	
On Japan:—	
On demand..... 102 1/2	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer. 82 5/8	
On demand..... 82 5/8	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 1/8	
Credits, 60 days sight 24 7/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand..... 45 1/4	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credits 4 months sight Nom.	
On Saigon:—	
On demand..... 104 1/2	
On Manila:—	
On demand..... 48 1/4	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand..... 149 1/2	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate..... Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz..... 33 3/4	

## Market Report

## FROM ROZA BROS.

Thursday, May 29.  
Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 233/8 for both Ready and Forward. Silver advices reported the market as being steady but featureless. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.  
The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 3/4.

## MARKET

## STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 up to August, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.

## U. S. DOLLARS

Some business was done during the course of the morning at 24-7/16 for near and forward. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 24 7/16 for near and forward, buyers at 24 1/2 for any delivery.

## SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 450 1/4, with business done subsequently at 451 3/4 and 452. The market closed at lunch time with probable sellers at 452, buyers at 452 1/4.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 3 1/2 and closed a shade easier with sellers at 3 1/2 1/4 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 7/16 and closed at lunch time with sellers at 5 13/32 for Spot.

## AFTERNOON MARKET

Quiet. There were sellers at 1/3 up to August, buyers at 1/3 1/2 for any delivery.

## U. S. DOLLARS

The market closed with sellers at 24 7/16 for near and forward, buyers at 24 1/2 for near and forward.

## SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Business was done this afternoon at 452 1/2 and 452. At the close there were sellers at 451 1/2, buyers at 452.

## SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 3 1/2 and closed at 3 1/2 1/4 for Spot. U.S. Dollars, there were sellers for near delivery at 5 13/32 for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, May 29 (Reuter).

## Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London.....	0/3-1/4	
New York.....	5-1/4	
India.....	18	
Japan.....	22-1/4	
Paris.....	nominal	
Hongkong.....	21-5/8	

## Sterling

	Opening	Closing
Spot.....	0/3-11/32	0/3-5/16
May.....	0/3-11/32	0/3-5/16
June.....	0/3-11/32	0/3-5/16

## U.S. Dollars

	Opening	Closing
Spot.....	\$5-7/16	\$5-13/32
May.....	5-7/16	5-13/32
June.....	5-7/16	5-13/32

## Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.  
The Equalisation rate was 24 per cent.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, May 29, 1941.

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, July.....	13.25	13.15	13.17	unch.
New York Rubber, July.....	22.75	22.40	22.52	12 off
Chicago Wheat, July.....	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	1 off
Chicago Corn, July.....	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	1 off
New York Hides, June.....	14.47	14.40	15.08	14.35 1/2 off

## NEW YORK COTTON

	Close	Change
July.....	13.17/18	unch.
October.....	13.32/32	.06 up
December.....	13.40/41	.03 up
January.....	13.39 N	unch.
March.....	13.40/40	.01 off
May.....	13.38/38	.02 off
Spot.....	13.58	unch.

Total sales Tuesday—92,200 bales.

## NEW YORK RUBBER

	Close	Change
July (New contract).....	22.52b/60a	22.40/40 12 off
September.....	22.22b/24a	22.15/15 .07 off
December.....	21.69/69	21.55/55 .14 off
March.....	21.25 N	21.10b/15a .15 off

Total sales for the day—1,810 tons.

## CHICAGO WHEAT

	Close	Change
July.....	96 1/2	96 1/2 1 off
September.....	96 1/2	97 1/2 1 off

Tuesday's sales—14,241,000 bushels.

## CHICAGO CORN

	Close	Change
July.....	74 1/2	74 1/2 1 off
September.....	75 1/2	75 1/2 1 off

## NEW YORK HIDES

	Close	Change
June.....	13.08/08	14.35b/40a .73 off
September.....	15.17/20	14.50/52 .67 off

Total sales for the day—189 lots.

## NEW YORK COCOA

	Close	Change
September.....	7.61 N	7.45 N .16 off

## NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3

	Close	Change
July.....	2.45b/46a	2.46b/47a .01 up
September.....	2.46b/49a	2.50b/51a .02 up

Volume of business done—62 lots.

## NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

	Close	Change
July.....	82 1/2b/83a	83b/84a 1 up

Volume of business done—48 lots.

## NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

	Close	Change
July.....	11.70b/95a	11.70b/95a unch.

## NEW YORK COTTONSEED OIL

	Close	Change
July.....	10.59/59	10.54b/56a .05 off

## NEW YORK LARD

	Close	Change
September.....	9.97a	9.92b .05 off

## NEW YORK BLACK PEPPER

	Close	Change
September.....	6.15b/20a	6.22b/24a .07 up

The First Notice Day for September black pepper is Aug. 26 and last trading day is September 23.

	Close	Change
N.Y. Official Silver.....	34 3/4	34 3/4
N.Y.-London Cross Rate.....	4.03 3/4	4.03 3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, May 29.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

	Close	Change
War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red, after 1952).....	103-13/16	
Defence Loan, 3%.....	101 1/2	
Antion-Koon Rly. 5%.....	9	
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue).....	38	
Chinese 5% Gold Loan 1925/41.....	38	
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan 1908.....	37	
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan 1912.....	21	
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Is).....	30	
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes 1925 (Vickers).....	7-8	
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan.....	48	
Koon Rly. 5%.....	10	
Sukudang Rly. 5%, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue).....	14	
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue).....	13	
Lung Tshing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913.....	9	
Shai-NKing Rly. 5%.....	14	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.).....	10	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.).....	10	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan).....	10	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan).....	10	
Jap. 4 1/2% Ster. Loan 1924.....	22	
Ger. 7 1/2% Intl. Loan 1924.....	5	
Chartered Bank.....	8 1/2	

## Calcutta Exchange

	Close	Change
Calcutta, May 28 (Reuter).....		
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/2.....		

## India Rupee Paper

	Close	Change
Bombay, May 28 (Reuter).....		
Govt. 3 1/2% Rupee, 95-14-0.....		

## LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

	Close	Change
London, May 28 (Reuter).....		
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, 2261 3/4.....		
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, 2263-7/8.....		
Market quiet.....		

## SILVER MARKET

	Close	Change
London, May 28 (Reuter).....		
Silver—Trifling trade buying was met by production sources. Market steady. In the afternoon, the market was featureless with no business.....		
Spot, 23-3/8d.....		
Forward, 23-3/8d.....		

## LONDON GOLD

	Close	Change
London, May 28 (Reuter).....		
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 165/-.....		

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION  
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

MAY 29, 1941.

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Adams Express.....	51	Kenecott Copper.....	35 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.....	21 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass.....	28 1/2
Allis Chalmers.....	25 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft.....	22 1/2
Amer. Can.....	79	Loew's Inc.....	28 1/2
American Cyanamid.....	36 1/2	Martin, Glen L. Co.....	27 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power.....	17 1/2	Montgomery Ward.....	33 1/2
Amer. & Foreign St. pt.....	17 1/2	National Aviation.....	8
Amer. Locomotive Co.....	11 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products.....	12 1/2
Amer. Metals.....	17 1/2	National Distillers.....	19 1/2
Amer. Radiator.....	6 1/2	Nat. Power & Light.....	5 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill.....	13 1/2	National Supply Corp.....	5 1/2
Amer. Sling and Ring Co.....	35 1/2	New York Central.....	12 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining.....	14 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power.....	24
Amer. Tel. & Tel.....	150 1/2	N. American Aviation.....	13 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B".....	52 1/2	North American Co. (New).....	13
Amer. Waterworks.....	4 1/2	Northern Pacific.....	6 1/2
Anacosta Copper.....	26	Packard Motors.....	24
Atchafalca, T. & S. Fe.....	27 1/2	Paramount Pictures.....	11 1/2
Aviation Corp.....	3 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.....	24
Baldwin Locomotive Co.....	13 1/2	Phillips Petroleum.....	41 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio.....	3 1/2	Pullman Inc.....	27 1/2
Barnsdall Oil.....	9 1/2	Pure Oil.....	3 1/2
Bendix Aviation.....	34 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.....	14 1/2
Bethlehem Steel.....	69 1/2	Reading Company, Com.....	14 1/2
Bliss & Co., E.W. (com).....	15	Remington Arms Co., Inc.....	41 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.....	14	Republic Aviation Corp.....	3 1/2
Borg-Warner.....	16 1/2	Republic Steel.....	18 1/2
Briggs Mfg. Co.....	19 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B".....	28 1/2
Budd Manufacturing Corp.....	4	Schenley Distillers.....	10 1/2
Canadian Pacific.....	10 1/2	Shell Union Oil.....	14 1/2
Celanese Corp.....	10 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil.....	9 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio.....	34 1/2	Southern Railway.....	11 1/2
Chrysler.....	55 1/2	Southern Ry 3 1/2 pfd.....	23 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.....	23	Spicer Manufacturing Co.....	30
Commercial Credit Co.....	2 1/2	Standard Brands.....	5 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.).....	5 1/2	Standard Oil of Ind.....	37
Consolidated Edison Co.....	17 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.....	37
Copperweld Steel.....	13 1/2	Studebaker Corp.....	42
Curtis Wright (C).....	8 1/2	Swift International.....	18 1/2
Douglas Aircraft.....	81	Technicolor.....	8 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours.....	142 1/2	Texas Corp.....	39 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead.....	8 1/2	Trans-America Co.....	41 1/2
Elec. Antolite Co.....	25 1/2	20th Cent. Fox Film, Com.....	5 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share.....	2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.....	10 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pt.....	55 1/2	Union Pacific.....	79 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pt.....	58 1/2	United Aircraft.....	40 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pt.....	32 1/2	United Airlines Trans.....	9 1/2
Flinkote.....	12 1/2	United Corp.....	8 1/2
Gen. Electric.....	28 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pt.....	2 1/2
Gen. Motors.....	37 1/2	United Gas Improvement.....	6 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal.....	13	U.S. Rubber.....	21
Gen. Tire & Rubber.....	10 1/2	U.S. Steel.....	52 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.).....	12 1/2	Vanadium.....	23 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Rubber.....	18 1/2	Vulcan Aircraft.....	5 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore.....	14 1/2	Walworth Co.....	44
Great Northern Rly. pfd.....	26	Warner Bros. Pict.....	31 1/2
Great Western Sugar.....	23 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.....	86 1/2
Inter. Nickel.....	24 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.....	26 1/2
Int. Paper & Power.....	14 1/2	Woodward National Bank.....	—
Int. Tel. & Tel. (Fon. Ia).....	24	National City Bank.....	—
Johnsmanville.....	57 1/2	Libby, McNeil.....	—

## DOW JONES AVERAGE

	1940/41	May 27, 1941	May 28, 1941	Change
High	163.50	111.54	115.55	.41 up
Low	163.50	111.54	115.55	.41 up
Industrials	32.87	22.15	27.75	.60 up
Rails	26.45	16.82	16.93	.11 up
Utilities	92.19	68.08	71.06	.28 up
Bonds	68.76	48.74	51.06	.32 off
Commodity Index	—	—	68.65	.32 off

Business Done—340,000 shares

## RESERVE BANK OF INDIA STATEMENT

Calcutta, May 28 (Reuter).

May 16 May 23

	May 16	May 23
Notes in circulation (including Notes held in the Banking Department).....	28,506	28,542

Rupee Coin Bullion in India..... 3,553 3,589

Gold Coin and Bullion in India..... 4,441 4,441

Securities (Indian Government)..... 9,131 9,131

Securities (British Government)..... 11,379 11,379

(Figures in Lakhs of Rupees)

## National Financial Conference

CHUNGKING, May 29 (Central)

The Ministry of Finance has announced that a National Financial Conference will be opened on June 15 for the purpose of discussing important problems relative to China's wartime



# PRESIDENT LINER SAILINGS

To SAN FRANCISCO and LOS ANGELES via SHANGHAI, KOBE & HONOLULU			
S.S. "Pres. Cleveland"	June 5	S.S. "Pres. Taft"	July 15
S.S. "Pres. Coolidge"	June 18	S.S. "Pres. Cleveland"	July 30
S.S. "Pres. Pierce"	June 30	S.S. "Pres. Coolidge"	Aug. 9
To NEW YORK and BOSTON via MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and CAPE TOWN			
S.S. "Pres. Monroe"	June 2	S.S. "Pres. Hayes"	Aug. 9
S.S. "Pres. Jackson"	June 13	S.S. "Pres. Garfield"	Aug. 24
S.S. "Pres. Adams"	June 26	S.S. "Pres. Monroe"	Sept. 7
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S.S. "Pres. Coolidge"	June 7	*Dorothy Luckenbach	June 21
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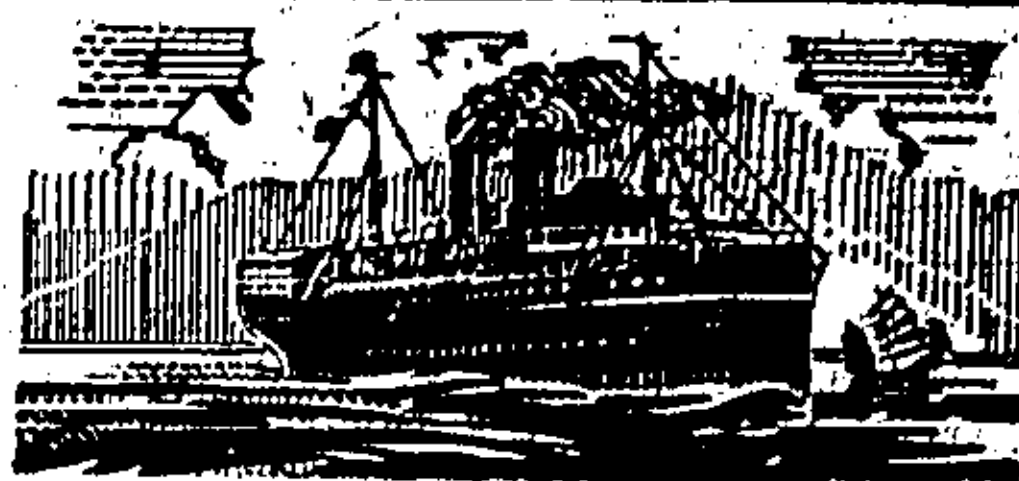
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The following telegraphic instructions have just been received from the Secretary of State:—

The procedure regarding gifts of food sent to the United Kingdom from abroad has been reviewed and in order to conserve shipping space for more urgent supplies such gifts will be allowed only subject to the following conditions.

(A)—Bona fide unsolicited gifts whether they include rationed food or not may be received from abroad by parcel post addressed to individuals. No parcel may exceed 5 lbs. gross weight or contain more than 2 lbs. of any one foodstuff. The maximum of 5 lbs. will also be applied by Board of Trade in the case of non-foodstuffs. No import permit or licence into the United Kingdom is required in such cases, but export-permits will be required in Hongkong. All parcels must be clearly marked as GIFTS.

(B)—A gift cannot be regarded as "unsolicited" where it has been received as a result of some prior communication sent by recipient to donor. Moreover, the receipt of gifts at frequent intervals cannot be permitted.

### INDIVIDUAL GIFTS

(C)—Licences which have been granted to importers to receive individual gifts in bulk for distribution through parcel post on arrival in the United Kingdom will not be renewed or any further licences of this type approved. Existing licences and those recently expired and under consideration for renewal will be held to cover consignments despatched from abroad by June 28.

(D)—Where it is desired to send larger quantities of foodstuffs (which must not include rationed food) arrangements must first be made for some responsible organisation in the United Kingdom formed for charitable or similar purposes to be the recipient of such gifts. Application for a licence must then be made to Ministry of Food by organisation which will be required to give an undertaking that goods will be consumed within that organisation. For example, if recipient is a hospital the food would be supplied to patients or members of staff.

(E)—In the case of neither parcels nor larger consignments will it be permitted to send any money out of the United Kingdom in respect of gifts of food.

(F)—These regulations will apply in respect of all gifts despatched from abroad after June 28, 1941.

## SINGAPORE ROAD ANCHORAGE

A Harbour Office notification issued yesterday states that anchorage is prohibited within an area enclosed by the following lines:—From the Outer Shoal Beacon to the White Obelisk on Pulo Tembakul (Peak Island). Thence in a direction 300 degrees to Tanjong China. Thence in a direction 035 degrees to number 14 Beacon. Thence to the Outer Shoal Beacon.

Certain mark buoys will shortly be established in this area.

# NO EVIDENCE AS TO DEFINITION OF GRADE 1 RICE

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of their stock. The request was granted two days later on condition that the rice was for local consumption and its wholesale price to retailers, who in turn sold to the public, should be within the scope of the maximum price ordered.

Asked by Insp. Tuckett regarding the maximum price ordered, witness said that the wholesale price mentioned was \$14.40 per picul for Grade 1 rice.

### CROSS-EXAMINATION

Mr. Davidson: You are not, of course, a rice expert?

Witness: No.

I put it to you that there are over 30 varieties of rice in Hongkong (A list of the varieties was submitted).—Probably right.

Do you know how the defendant's firm conduct their sale of rice when rice is released to them?—I have no idea.

Is it a fact that when prices are restricted, it is not intended to apply to importers?—It did not apply.

Mr. Davidson went on to relate that defendant sold his rice in a sort of private auction, in which the rice went to the highest bidder. The restrictions mentioned above have been abandoned except regarding Burma rice?—Yes.

What reasons can you give for this abandonment?—I can't tell you.

You can't tell me why prosecution is still going on while restrictions have been withdrawn on other rice except Burma rice?—I can't tell you.

### THREE GRADES

Fung Dock third complainant, deposed that he bought 150 bags of rice from defendant's firm in April. Witness said that he was aware that Government classified rice into three grades.

Cross-examined by Mr. Davidson, witness said that the best "Slam-ese" rice was a special superior white rice. The next best, was special white rice with five per cent. broken, then special white 15 per cent. broken, ordinary No. 1, 25 per cent. broken, white No. 2, 35 per cent. broken, white No. 3, 50 per cent. broken, and after that there were nine varieties of broken rice.

To a Chinese rice dealer, the term Grade 1 rice means nothing?—It all depends on how people call.

They may call any kind of rice Grade 1.

Insp. Tuckett: How many grades of rice are there?—Three—special, superior and special white.

"SIMU" RICE

Mr. Davidson: Have you ever heard of "Simu" rice?

Witness: Yes.

Very expensive?—Yes.

In Hongkong?—No, in Kowloon.

Insp. Tuckett submitted that the best kind of rice was classified as Grade 1.

Mr. Davidson submitted that the prosecution must prove that the rice which his client had sold was Grade 1.

ALL WITHDRAWN

Following this case, similar summonses against the managers of six other rice firms were withdrawn.

Defendants were: Wong Yuen-ming, of the Wah Wing rice shop, No. 10, Wing Fung Street; Wong Yuk-lam, of the Fook Sang Lung rice shop, No. 40, Shaokwan Road, both represented by Mr. F. G. Nigel; Wong Ching-nok, of the Kwun Hong Cheong rice shop, No. 51, Jardine's Street, represented by Mr. Alfred Y. Hon; Lau Yee, of the Kau Lung rice shop, No. 178, Lockhart Road; Chung Kam-wah, of the Shun Fat rice shop, No. 233, Hennessy Road; and Chan Mok-yim, of the Fuk Cheong Lung rice shop, No. 23, Lockhart Road.

ANOTHER CASE

Chan Ko, of the Man Cheong Leong rice and oil shop, No. 269, Des Voeux Road West, ground floor, was summoned for selling to Police Constable C198, Lui Sui, on May 29, six-and-a-half cattles of Grade 1 Burma rice for \$1, which is in excess of the price fixed by Government on May 14.

Insp. P. D. B. Tuckett conducted the prosecution, while defendant was defended by Mr. F. G. Nigel, who pleaded not guilty.

Complainant, in evidence, said that the rice he bought was the best kind that the shop had to offer.

Mr. F. W. Shaftain, A.D.C.I.: Our witnesses have let us down. There is only one kind of rice with which Government is concerned and that is Burma rice. I ask for an adjournment of this case to call experts to prove that the rice concerned is Burma rice.

Hearing was adjourned to Tuesday at noon.

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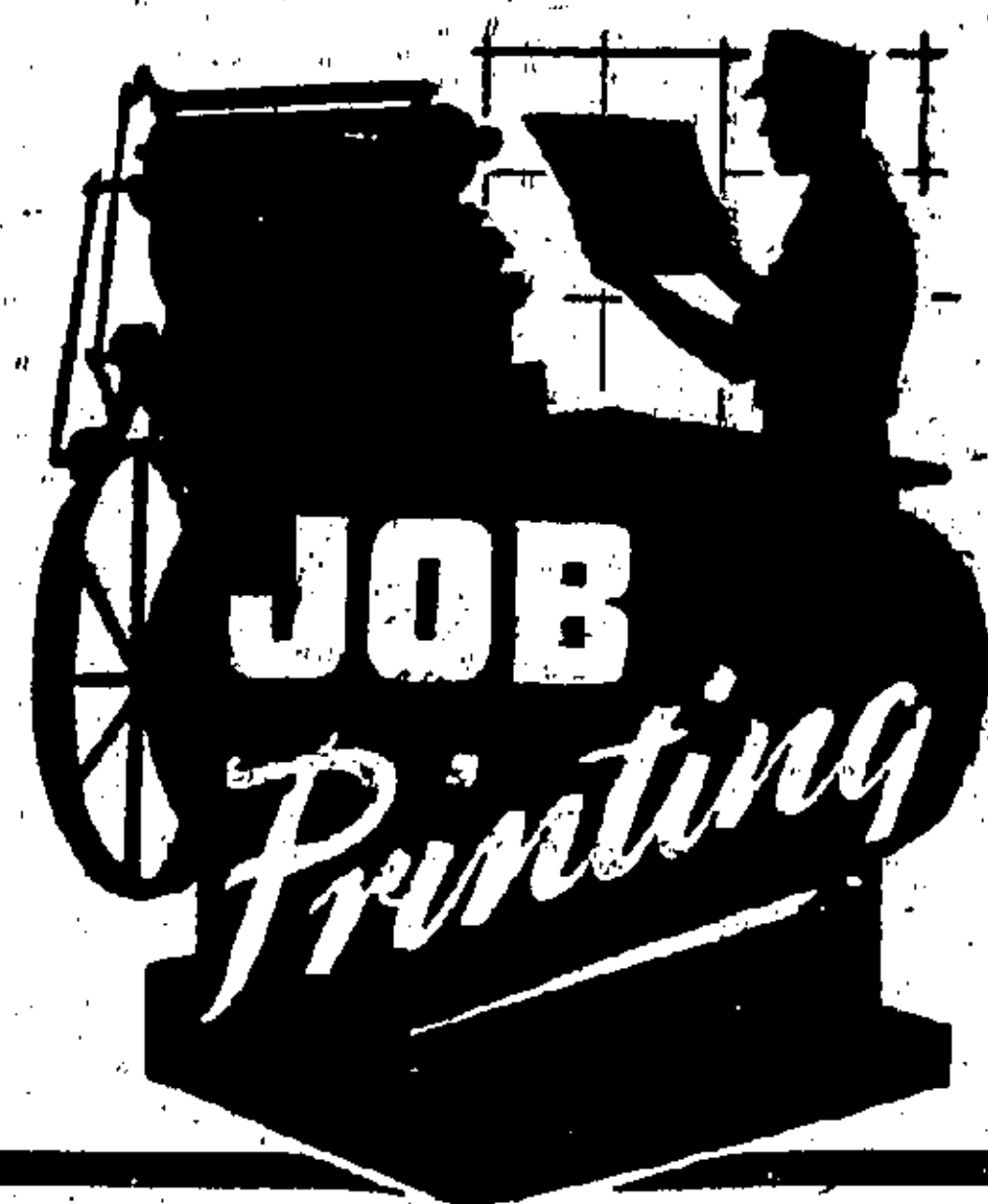
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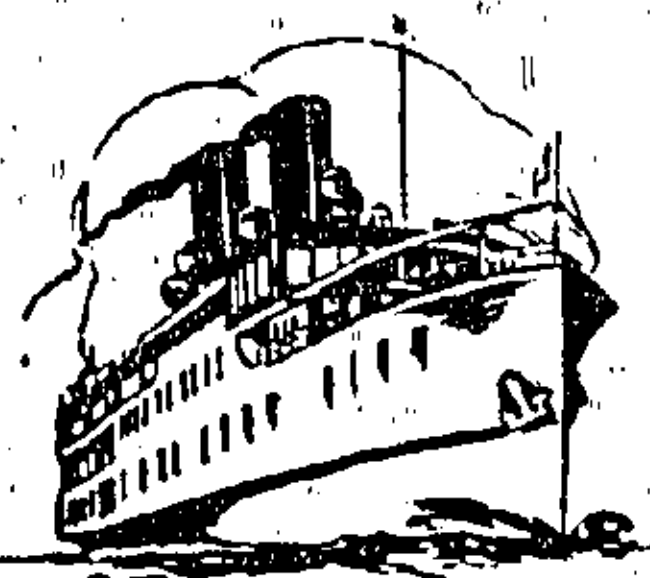
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## SHOOTING ON WHARF IN CANTON

### INDIAN ACCUSED OF MURDER

An alleged murder that took place at the wharf of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire at Canton on May 12 last had a sequel before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday when Dow Mohamed was charged with the murder of a man, Kwok Man.

Mr. E.H. Williams, Crown Counsel, appeared for the prosecution. Mr. H.W. Lee defended instructed by Mr. D. McCallum.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. J. C. Fonseca (Foreman), Leung Hui-fung, Chan Woon-fun, Young Kee-hung, Tsui Shing-lun, M.A. Praia and Leung Kam-tong.

Mr. Williams said that the accused was a watchman employed by the China Navigation Company at their wharves at Kak Him-hok in Honam, Canton.

Accused was a native of Punjab, India, and was registered as a British subject. Deceased was a hawker. At the time of the incident, accused was stationed on another guard, Sher Bahadur, on a wharf where the Fatshan was lying.

#### STOPPED BY ACCUSED

While accused and Sher Bahadur were searching people at the entrance about 6.20 p.m. a Chinese, carrying a basket, approached the wharf and was stopped by accused. There was some conversation and it was alleged, accused struck the Chinese and Sher Bahadur hit him with his stick. The Chinese ran and was chased by the two Indians. Later two shots, followed by three more, were heard.

Sher Bahadur's story was that a number of Chinese approached the wharf and resented being searched. One of them struck accused in the face and he saw accused chasing after a Chinese.

Chan Fung-po, continued Counsel, saw accused fire two shots and apparently missed.

Accused was taken to the office and the revolvers of the two Indians were examined.

Further hearing was adjourned to this morning.

### PRINCE BERNHARD FUND

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands recently won his wings and appeared at a meeting in the uniform of an Air Commodore.

He announced that the "Prince Bernhard Fund" has now reached £1,200,000 which had bought 32 bombers manned by Dutch crews and operating from England. Seventy-nine fighters had been presented to the British Government.

The Prince added, "Our army too, is getting ready. Extensive forces are now being trained in England and Canada."

## SHAUKIWAN BOAT YARD TRAGEDY RECALLED

Committal proceedings on a charge of the murder of Kong Wong at the Tung Yee Hing boat building yard, Ah Kung Ngam, Shaukwan, on Apr. 25, against CHAN MUK, alias Tai Luk Muk, 44, wood sawer, was begun before Major A. N. Macdwyen at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, assisted by Det. Insp. L. R. Whant.

Mr. Murphy said that both accused and deceased were employees of the Tung Yee Hing boat building yard.

On the night of Apr. 24, deceased, after having his evening meal together with all the workmen, including accused, went to see a theatrical performance and did not return to his cubicle until 10 p.m.

At the time of deceased's return, accused was talking to his friends in the next cubicle. He left shortly after for a nearby opium den, where, being an addict, he usually frequented, but he did not touch any of the drug that night.

Accused left the den about 10.15 p.m. and was not seen again until 1 a.m. the next morning, when a woman neighbour, Chan Tai, who was attending to her chickens, saw him and spoke to him through a partition.

#### HEARD GROANING

A little later, the mistress of the yard heard someone groaning.

## Replies To Questions On Incidence Of Evacuation On The Wives Of Senior Government Officers

Statistics of the incidence of evacuation on the wives of senior Government Officers were given by the Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. N.L. Smith) at the Legislative Council meeting yesterday afternoon when he replied to questions asked by the Hon. Mr. J.J. Paterson.

In no cases was the recommendation of the evacuation Advisory Committee over-ruled by higher authority, said Mr. Smith.

#### THE QUESTIONS

Mr. Paterson's questions were as follows:—

Will the Government give statistics of the incidence of evacuation on the wives of senior Government Officers, namely:

(a) wives not in the Colony when the evacuation was ordered;  
(b) wives departed since that date;

(c) wives recommended for exemption by the Evacuation Advisory Committee;

(d) cases still pending when further evacuation was suspended?

In how many cases was the recommendation of the Evacuation Advisory Committee over-ruled by higher authority?

#### THE ANSWERS

The Colonial Secretary replied as follows:—

The replies to these questions are as follows, taking "senior officers" as including the following 22 officers, namely both Judges, all official members of both Councils, all First Class cadets and all other heads of the principal departments of Government, but exclusive of three unmarried officers in those categories:—  
(a) 5; (b) 9; (c) 8; (d) 2.

Nil. No exemptions were granted except the six cases mentioned in (c) above.

## CUP FINAL REPLAY

LONDON, May 29 (Reuter)—The demand for tickets indicates that a crowd limit of 45,000 will be allowed by the Police to watch the Cup Final replay between PRESTON and ARSENAL on Blackburn's ground on Saturday.

Preston, who are undoubtedly the best balanced team this season, are playing an unchanged side and are firm favourites.

Arsenal will have a reorganised forward line.

## BAER'S CLAIM REJECTED

WASHINGTON, May 29 (Reuter)—The District of Columbia Boxing Commission has rejected Buddy Baer's claim to the world title.

Baer's claim was based on the allegation that Joe Louis hit him after the going. The Commission held up the decision of Donovan in disqualifying Baer.

The Chairman announced Promoter Jacobs agreed to match Baer and Louis again for a title fight in Washington in the first week of October.

## DIFFICULTY IN PROVIDING CLERGY

### Annual Meeting Of Peak Church

The annual meeting of worshippers of the PEAK CHURCH was held in St. John's Cathedral Hall yesterday when Mr. H. R. B. Hancock presided.

Before, the Hon. Secretary, Rev. A. P. Rose, read the annual report, the Chairman said that Bishop Hall was, unfortunately, unable to be present.

In his report, Mr. Rose stated that there were two weddings and one baptism at the Peak Church last year. Holy Communion was celebrated every Sunday. There was, said the speaker, an increasing difficulty in providing clergy for the Church.

The two half-yearly inspections of the Church were conducted by Messrs. Leigh and Orange, and repairs and minor redecoration recommended by them had been done.

#### VERY THANKFUL

Rev. K. L. Reichelt, of the Lutheran Church of Norway, said that the Scandinavians here like the Peak Church very much because it so closely resembled their own Scandinavian Church. They were, he said, very thankful for the co-operation received and hoped to stand together as never before.

Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow stated that there appeared to have been no regular services in the Church.

Mr. Rose said that the Bishop felt that a Church should either have a weekly service or none at all. He (the speaker) would suggest that the Church close down altogether during the height of the summer, for, say, a month or two.

After the adoption of the Accounts, the Chairman thanked the Scandinavian Church for a donation of \$150, and to the clergy for looking after the services.

#### COMMITTEE ELECTED

The following were elected to the Committee for the ensuing year: Bishop Hall, Messrs. H. R. B. Hancock, G. Miskin, M. F. L. Haymes, S. V. Boxer, the Revs. A. P. Rose, K. Mackenzie Dow, D.M. Richards, and Mrs. H. R. B. Hancock.

The following grants were made from the Church funds at the 1940 meeting: St. John's Cathedral, \$200; Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, \$100; N. T. Evangelisation Soc., \$100; S.P.C.K., \$50; Association of Boys and Girls' Clubs, \$50; and Sec. Nat. Christian Council for supporting Scandinavian Missionaries in China, \$100.

## \$309.53 For Poor Box

### GAMBLING RAID SEQUEL

The funds of the Poor Box were swelled by \$309.53 as a result of a gambling raid conducted by Mr. E. C. Luscombe, A.S.P., assisted by Det. Sgt. W. G. Morrison, at No. 14, Wing Shing Street, second floor, at 9.35 p.m. on Wednesday. Thirty-six persons were arrested.

Before Mr. Lowry at the Central Magistracy yesterday, Tong Hop, 28; Mok Yiu, 32, and Ng Yat, 52, were charged with keeping a common gaming house for the purpose of "pal kau," while the rest were accused of gambling.

All except third defendant were absent, and their bail, totalling \$1,080, were estimated, first defendant being on \$500 bail, second on \$250 and the rest on \$10 each.

#### BIG SCHOOL

After informing the Court that the \$309.53 picked up included money seized from the persons of the first two defendants, Mr. Luscombe said: "I have been after this school for several months and I have good information that it was a big school."

Third defendant was fined \$100, or two months' hard labour.

## FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 30th MAY, 1941.

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There will be one collection from the pillar boxes as on Sundays, one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence at 10 a.m.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Taiipo and Un Long.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

An experimental service providing sea transit to U.S.A. and air transit from U.S.A. to Lisbon and United Kingdom has been instituted. The inclusive postage rate is H. K. \$2.00 per 1 oz. for letters and H. K. \$1.00 each for postcards. Correspondence for this service should bear the usual blue air mail label with the superscription "By sea to U.S.A."

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## FUNERAL OF MR. A. J. DA CRUZ ROCHA

The funeral took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday of the late Mr. A. J. da Cruz Rocha, who passed away after a long illness at the St. Francis Hospital on Wednesday, aged 72 years. The Rev. Fr. G. M. Spada officiated.

The principal mourners were the deceased's two sons, Gustavo and Isias Rocha, and other members of the family. There was a large attendance, the deceased having been a popular figure in the local Portuguese community and for many years' Honorary Treasurer of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Among those who attended at the graveside were Messrs. D. C. Baptista, A. J. V. Ribeiro, F. A. Loureiro, J. B. Pomeroy, J. S. dos Remedios, E. C. Baptista, Miss D. M. Baptista, Miss M. Taul, Messrs. H. M. Xavier, A. E. Tavares, J. M. Noronha, H. Figueiredo, A. V. Osmund, H. A. Figueiredo Jr., A. Azis, L. E. Remedios, T. J. Agabeg, G. B. Osmund, I. M. Alaracka, E. M. I. M. Silva, Mr. Ng Shu-cheung, Mr. Franco, A. V. Barros, F. B. Rocha, P. G. Baldwin, Mrs. A. Osmund and Messrs. M. Tavares, J. Xavier, E. Elarte and many others.

Wreaths were sent by Mira and Nado, Aegi, Delci, Francis and Rita (grandchildren), Vances, Zita and Francisco Vieira Ribeiro, others.

## TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS WEEKLY RETURN

In the Colony of Hongkong including the Island, Kowloon and New Territories during the week ending at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 24, there were altogether 75 traffic accidents as the result of which two persons were killed and 26 persons were injured.

Of persons killed, a Chinese female, age 87, was knocked down and killed by a private car while crossing the carriageway and a Chinese male, age 19, died from injuries received while alighting from a moving tram.

Of the persons injured, 12 were pedestrians who were struck by vehicles while crossing the carriageway.

Of 75 accidents, 27 were collisions between vehicles; 24 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; 24 accidents were due to other causes.

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